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CONVICTED OF MANSLAUGHTER.

That is the Finding of ths Jury in the Goss Trial.

The case of Riter Goss, on trial before the Columbia County Court, on the charge of having maliciously and willfully run down and killed John Cole, above Benton last July, was concluded on Thursday. The witnesses in the case numbered seven. The first for the Commonwealth was Robert Evans. He sat beside Goss in the wagon, on the night of the killing. According to his story Goss had made up his mind not to leave anyone pass him on the road, and that just as soon as he observed Cole going by he whipped up the horses and overtook him. He swore that Goss had pleaded with him to deny all knowledge of what had occurred, if questioned in regard to it. The witness was very slow in answering questions put to him, he appeared to possess an inactive mind and was unable to grasp the meaning of the questions, unless repeated to him. In cross examination he was not positive of anything.

Clarence Dirk was the next to take the stand. He was Cole's companion. He told how they had left Benton on their wheels to ride home. He remembered that Cole had shouted "Hurrah for Bryan" when they had caught up to the wagon near the Edson bridge, but did not hear him ask to go around. He did not see Cole struck. When he found him he was dead. His story was a very clear one.

Thomas Brown, Constable of Benton, was called. He simply explained how he was called to the scene of the accident. Had made an examination of the road and wagon tracks, all of which he described.

Dr. Winley sworn. He too, was summoned on the fatal night. He told of the nature of the injuries inflicted. In his opinion, Cole had gotten around the team and was turning into the road when hit. His testimony was corroborative of that of the two gentlemen who preceded him.

The District Attorney here made an effort to show to the Court that the act was premeditated, that it was his purpose to run his victim down.

Ikeler, for the defense, objected and he was sustained by the Court.

Rev. O. L. Buck, of Waller, called and sworn. He testified that on the afternoon of July 21, he was driving from Waller to Unityville. Goss came up behind him with a team, and without uttering a word of warning or requesting him for permission to go by attempted to run into him. He was obliged, in order to avoid an accident, to turn abruptly to one side of the road.

This closed the evidence on the part of the Commonwealth.

Col. John G. Freeze opened the case on the part of the defense. He addressed the jury briefly, and called for the first witness, Dr. Winley. The Doctor said that early in the evening of the night the accident occurred he received a call from Riter Goss, the defendant, who complained of feeling unwell. He attributed his illness to heart failure, nervousness. He prescribed for him and gave him medicine.

Riter Goss was ordered to take the stand. He told, in his own way, how he had left Benton; that he did not see Cole pass on the road. Suddenly the horses began to run and continued, he not being able to check their pace until they had covered probably a mile. Then he turned them into a lane and finally succeeded in stopping them. Up to this time he was ignorant of what had taken place. He did not know that a man had been run over. They continued on their homeward journey. At the St. Gabriel Church Robert Evans left him to go home. Said he was arrested the following Sunday evening. Had been personally acquainted with John Cole for about three years; had always been good friends. The cross examinatination did not change the strength of his story. In fact, little attempt was made to disprove it.

Boyd Gibson, of Benton, Constable, gave evidence that he had arrested Goss. When told of the accident he said Goss appeared greatly affected and said, "My God, is it my friend?"

J. B. McHenry, of Benton, testified that he had been acquainted with Robert Evans since he (Evans) was a little boy. His reputation for truth and veracity was bad, generally considered so. Would not believe him under oath.

Jasper Lewis, of Benton, also testified to Evan's bad character. He would not believe him under oath.

Testimony of a like nature was offered by Elwood Knouse, of Benton, after which the defense rested the case.

Fred Ikeler, for the defendant, addressed the Jury first. He explained how easily such an accident might happen at any time. He spoke for fully three quarters of an hour. His plea was an eloquent one.

Dirtrict Attorney John G. Harman, for the Commonwealth closed with a strong plea to the Jury. He reviewed the evidence and said that under the circumstances it would be impossible to return anything but a verdict of guilty. The address was sublimated by the use of choice language, and the speaker gave all his power in the presentation of it.

Judge Little charged the Jury at 12:30 p. m., Thursday, after which that body retired. They were unable to agree until ten o'clock Friday night, when a verdict of manslaughter was returned.

The verdict appears to give general satisfaction.

It is said that counsel for Goss will apply for a new trial.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

The Grand Jury Recommends That An Arc Light be Placed in Front of the Jail.

Order and precept for venire for jury for February term 1901 filed.

In re-division Briarcreek township petition of supervisors for leave to file additional exceptions. Leave granted; also rule granted. Returnable Dec. 15, 1900, at 10 a. m.

Sheriff W. W. Black acknowledged the following deeds in open Court.

W. W. Black to Charles O. and Flora Skeer, land in Bloomsburg.

Same to Ashland S. F. & L. Association. Land in Conyngham township.

Same to Josiah Ralston. Land in Bloomsburg.

Lien creditor's receipt read in open court in the above as per notice given.

W. W. Black to Cosmopolitan B. & L. Association. Land in Sugarloaf township.

Lien creditor's receipt read in open court in the case as per notice given.

Com. vs Jos. Roff. Charge assault and battery. Verdict guilty.

Court sentenced defendant to pay costs of prosecution, fine of $50 to the Commonwealth, stand committed until sentence is complied with, etc.

The following returns were made by the Grand Jury:

Commonwealth vs. John Custred. Charge adultery. Not a true bill. Mary Wirt, prosecutrix to pay costs, etc.

Court sentenced Mary Wirt to pay costs of prosecution, give bail to Sheriff for payment of same within ten days; stand committed, etc.

Report of viewers in favor of county bridge over Roaring Creek in Franklin township near Sylvester Bower's approved by Grand Jury.

Report of viewers in favor of county bridge over West branch of Briarcreek in Briarcreek township near house of Daniel Kelchner. Approved by Grand Jury.

Report of viewers in favor of county bridge over Little Fishingcreek between Fishingcreek and Greenwood townships near house of Simon Boyer and Daniel Patterson. Approved by Grand Jury.

Upon reading the petition of Isaiah Mears for rule to show cause, etc., the Court directed County Treasurer to pay the amount of Mr. Mears' bill for the cleaning of carpets, etc., and clerk of the Court to make certified copy of petition. Order of Court made this day also copy of order made as of Sept. 3, 1900, and give with his bill for same to County Commissioners. (See order filed.)

The report of the Grand Jury was read and ordered filed, and is as follows:

"We wish to commend the Sheriff and janitor for the perfect condition in which we found the jail, and the janitor for the elegant condition in which the court house is kept. We have also examined the public buildings and find that the rail in the jail is in bad condition, new ballusters being needed and recommend that an arc light be placed in front of the jail and that telephones be placed in the jail and Prothonotary's office where needed; a type writer chair be placed in the Register and Recorder's office and an other window be placed in the vault of same office; and that the glass in the sash be reglazed in the different windows of the court house. We also approve the purchase of the typewriter placed in the Register and Recorder's office by the Commissioners. We also recommend that the Commissioners purchase at least a dozen new chairs for use in the Court room where needed. All of which is respectfully submitted."

J. KERSEY SHARPLESS, Foreman.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

All the Sessions Interesting and Largely Attended.

The annual Institute, for the public school teachers of Columbia County, was held last week. Upon their arrival in town the teachers went to the Court House for the purpose of enrolling.

The first session was opened in Normal Auditorium, Monday, at two o'clock p. m. Rev. G. H. Hemingway, of the Presbyterian Church, conducted devotional exercises, after which Dr. J. P. Welsh delivered the address of welcome. Supt. J. K. Miller followed with a few remarks, concluding by introducing Prof. O. H. Yetter, as the musical director of the Institute. Dr. D. J. Waller, of Indiana, then spoke on the subject of "Teacher's Certificates." O. H. Corson, of Columbus, Ohio, filled the next period with a talk on "The Teacher's Relation to the Institute."

In the evening the New York Musical Club furnished the entertainment.

The opening services Tuesday morning were conducted by Rev. D. N. Kirkby, of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, followed by singing, by the Institute Mr. Corson continued his talk on the above subject. Dr. T. R. Croswell, of the faculty, gave an interesting talk on "A New Point of View in Nature Study." Dr. Waller gave an able talk on "Cultivation of the Imagination."

"Do the Schools of Pennsylvania Meet Our Educational Needs?" was the subject of Dr. J. P. Welsh's remarks Tuesday afternoon. He held the close attention of his listeners. He dwelt at length upon the necessity of properly educating the heart. This was followed by Dr. Waller on "The Cultivation of the Will."

In the evening Elbert Hubbard lectured on "The Work of the Roycrofters."

Rev. W. M. Frysinger, of the Methodist Church, led Wednesday morning's devotional services. Prof. C. H. Albert addressed the teachers on "Devices and Aids in Geography.' "The Adaptability to Teach" was discussed by Mr. Corson." Mr. Elbert Hubbard, the lecturer of the previous evening, occupied a period and delighted the audience. This gentleman appears to have a way of speaking that is especially pleasing. As an entertainer he is seldom equalled.

At the afternoon session Prof. J. G. Cope gave a lucid talk on "Wireless Telegraphy." He is a close student of electricity, and his remarks were interesting. A pleasing feature of this session was a violin solo by Prof. Charles Breon, of the Normal.

The committee appointed to select a course of reading for the teachers the coming year recommended the following: Jukes-Edwards, by Dr. A. E. Winship; Maccaulay's Essays on Milton and Addison; Burke's Conciliation With the American Colonies; Thinking and Learning to Think, by Dr. N. C. Schaeffer. This report was signed by A. U. Lesher, W. C. Hosler, Anna R. Kitchen, Martha Brugler and Mary Milnes.

Institute convened at nine o'clock Thursday morning. Divine blessing was invoked by Rev. M. E. McLinn, of the Lutheran Church. All the teachers joined heartily in singing, after which Mr. O. H. Corson spoke on "Extremes in Education." Prof. Yetter gave ten minutes' instruction in music. He relinquished the platform to Rev. Stanley L. Krebs, who very pleasingly addressed the Institute on "The Psychology of Fear and Worry." A discussion on "Scientific Temperance," by Miss Elizabeth Lloyd, closed the session.

In the afternoon Rev. Krebs continued his remarks, as did also Miss Lloyd. Mrs. Ella Fox Gilbert sang a solo. O. T. Corson was the last speaker of the session. His subject was the "Value and Importance of a Good School Board."

In the evening a unique entertainment was given by the local Y. M. C. A. Glee Club, assisted by Miss Welsh, reader, and Mrs. Ella Fox Gilbert, soloist. Every number was well rendered.

Rev. J. D. Thomas, of the Reformed Church, presided at the opening service on Friday. Singing by the Institute. Mr. Corson spoke on "True Temperance Teaching." The remainder of the session was given up to the reports of committees and miscellaneous business, after which the Institute adjourned.

TOWN COUNCIL IN SESSION.

The Condition of Several Pavements Complained of, All of Which Are to be Repaired.

There was a slim attendance at Thursday evening's meeting of the Bloomsburg Town Council, notwithstanding the fact that it was the regular monthly gathering. President Ikeler was on hand promptly, but only three of the members answered to the roll call.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and on motion approved.

A permit to build a barn on the rear of his East Fourth street lot was granted to F. P. Drake.

E. B. Brower declared his intention to build on his lot on Seventh street and asked that the pavement be deferred until same is completed.

William Krickbaum asked council to extend the time limit for laying the pavement in front of the C. B. Ohl property on Seventh street, as he is only holding the property in trust for Mr. Ohl.

The pavement in front of the Aul property on Catharine street, pavement of Wm. Rhodomoyer, West street, and pavement on West side of East street, running from Sixth street to Sterner alley were complained of and ordered repaired.

A cave-in was reported to have occurred on the Neal farm. Mr. Diffenbach was delegated to examine and ascertain the cost of filling it.

Attention was called to the bad condition of the Ferry road. Referred to the Street Committee.

An arc light is asked for on the Berwick road above Park street. Referred to Light Committee.

The crossing on Catharine street over Fifth, on Centre street over Fifth and on Third street in front of the Reformed church were ordered repaired.

Mr. Cox reported that $18.25 had been deducted from last month's electric light bill, because of poor service.

Bills were presented for expenses incurred during the month and orders issued for payment of same after which the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. Ella Fox Gilbert sang at the Institute last week, and at the evening entertainment on Tuesday. On Sunday morning she sang "The Lost Chord" in St. Paul's Church as an offertory, and did it beautifully. Her voice seems to improve each time we hear her sing. It is round, full, sweet, and sympathetic, the kind of a voice that makes the heart thrill, and brings tears to the eyes. Mr. Hummer's accompaniment was exceedingly well played.

Mrs. Gilbert sang in the M. E. Church Sunday evening, and those who heard her say that it was fully up to her usual standard. She is singing this week at the Sunbury Teacher's Institute.

Topic Cards.

A fine line of samples of Topic Cards for Christian Endeavor, Epworth League and Baptist Societies are kept at this office. Committees should call early and make their selections so that the cards will be ready by January 1st. This office can furnish them as cheap as they can be obtained in the city. tf

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GENERAL HARDWARE,

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS

WE CAN GIVE YOU
Suits, Overcoats,
Reefers, Hats,
Neckwear, Hose,
Shirts, Umbrellas,
Handkerchiefs, Collars,
Cuffs, Mufflers,
Suspenders, Toques.
Sweaters, Gloves,
Trunks, Bags,
Dress Cases, Telescopes,
and Collar and Cuff Boxes.

Our line of Bath Robes, Night Shirts and Smoking Jackets, are hard to beat, and are of the best makes.

Our Shirts are the celebrated makes of "Monarch," International," "Lion,' and Wilbur."

Our Hats, "Youman's." "Broadway Special" and "Samoben."

BEN. CIDDING.

Come in and see us—we'll treat you right.

The Leader Department Store.

Diamonds.

A writer, in one of the daily papers, said that among the "upper ten," those who are accustomed to "six figures," it was not considered the proper thing for a woman to receive as a present anything which was to be used in house furnishing. That the proper gift for her royal highness—the American woman—was diamonds, expensive furs, or other "trifles."

Now, this may be all right for those who can afford to spend $1,000 where we can spend $1.00, but we're old fashioned enough to believe that one of the most suitable gifts is something which will make home more comfortable and more beautiful. So we want to talk to you about

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ROCKERS.—Our stock has been carefully picked. First, we take into consideration the comfort to be obtained out of the chair. They having made selection on this basis, we choose the prettiest of the most comfortable. That gives us the right kind of goods. Come down and try them. Sit in them, and think how much comfort such a present will bring to your friend. We have all the popular finishes and colorings, and the highest price is $10.00, from that down to $1.25.

RUGS.—A good second to the rocker. In fact, it really takes first place, for it is older, and the magnate of the Orient counts his wealth in magnificent rugs. We show some of the finest products of the American looms. The colors are artistic and the designs chaste. We show these in prices from $1.00 to $10.00. We will be glad to have you look these over.

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Well displayed and all kinds, for all prices.

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WORK OF CONGRESS.

Ship Subsidy Bill Before the Senate.

FIRST SPEECH IN OPPOSITION.

Payne of New York and Swanson of Virginia Discuss the Revenue Reduction Measure In the House. Booz Case to Be Investigated.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The first speech in opposition to the ship subsidy bill in the senate was delivered yesterday by Mr. Clay of Georgia. He is one of the minority members of the committee on commerce which conducted the hearings on the measure and reported it to the senate. He is recognized as one of the most vigorous opponents of the bill in the senate, and during nearly two hours which his speech consumed he was accorded close attention by senators on both sides of the chamber. Mr. Hanna, who expects to reply to Mr. Clay's argument, gave him a particularly attentive hearing. In the early part of the session a lively colloquy was precipitated over the reference to committee of the Grout oleomargarine bill, just passed by the house of representatives. Finally it went to the committee on agriculture. This was a victory for the friends of the bill.

There also was a sharp debate over the Montana senatorial case, but no action was taken, the matter by consent going over temporarily. Today no business session of the senate was held, as the day was devoted to the celebration of the centennial of the establishment of the seat of government in Washington.

The debate on the war revenue reduction bill opened in the house, but was confined to two speeches, one by Mr. Payne of New York, chairman of the ways and means committee, on behalf of the majority, and one by Mr. Swanson of Virginia on behalf of the minority. The house adjourned early to permit the hall to be decorated for the exercises in connection with the centennial celebration today. Before the war revenue reduction bill was taken up a resolution was adopted for the appointment of a special committee of five members to investigate the death of Oscar L. Booz of Bristol, Pa., who died recently, it is alleged, as a result of hazing received while a cadet at West Point. This course was taken over the head of the military committee, which reported in favor of allowing the war department to conduct the inquiry.

Big Supply Bill Passed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Hon. Charles A. Towne, the recently appointed successor of the late Senator Davis of Minnesota, attended yesterday's session of the senate and took the oath of office. No business of importance was transacted in the open session, the senate going into secret session on the Hay-Pauncefote treaty as soon as routine business had been concluded.

The first of the great supply bills, the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, was passed by the house in record time. The bill carries $24,496,408 and has 131 pages, but there was less than ten minutes' debate upon it. Mr. Bingham of Pennsylvania, who was in charge of the measure, tendered his thanks to the house for the confidence shown in the appropriations committee. It required about three hours for the clerk to read the bill. No other business was transacted.

Oleo Bill Passed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The house yesterday passed the Grout oleomargarine bill by a vote of 196 to 92. The substitute offered by the minority of the committee on agriculture, which imposed additional restrictions on the sale of oleomargarine to prevent its fraudulent sale as butter and increased the penalties for violators, was defeated by a vote of 113 to 178.

Chairman Payne of the ways and means committee late in the afternoon submitted the report of that committee signed by all the Republican members in favor of the bill reducing the war revenue taxes about $40,000,000.

House Passes Army Bill.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The house of representatives at the end of a long sitting passed the army reorganization bill by a vote of 166 to 133. Three Democrats, Messrs. Hall of Pennsylvania and Underhill and Clayton of New York, voted with the Republicans for the bill and Mr. McCall (Rep., Mass.) with the Democrats against it. Otherwise it was a strict party vote.

Received by the Sultan.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 11.—A dinner was given at the Yildiz palace last night in honor of the officers of the United States battleship Kentucky, now at Smyrna, previous to which the United States charge d'affaires, Mr. Lloyd C. Griscom, introduced the officers to the sultan. The grand vizier and other dignitaries were present at the dinner. Subsequently Mr. Griscom and Captain Colby M. Chester were received in private audience by the sultan, who afterward received the other officers and addressed to each of them a few gracious words.

Newfoundland Snowbound.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Dec. 12.—Fierce snowstorms continue to beset the island, blocking the railroads and paralyzing the transport system generally. Mr. Reid, the contractor, has given up running the street railroad in St. John's until next spring owing to the heavy fall of snow. Several vessels are now overdue along the coast, and it is feared that they have foundered in the gales.

Further Aid For Galveston.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The Washington auxiliary to the national Red Cross association yesterday sent $1,000 to Mr. John Seeley, chairman of the relief committee at Galveston, to be used in providing shelter for the homeless. Another thousand will be sent soon by the auxiliary, which is receiving contributions from all parts of the United States for this purpose.

Fatal Explosion In a Tunnel.

OGDEN, Utah, Dec. 11.—It is reported that an explosion of gas occurred in the big Union Pacific tunnel six miles north of Aspen, Wy. Five men were killed and a number badly injured. Aspen tunnel is 6,700 feet long.

Yellow Fever Subsiding.

HAVANA, Dec. 12.—The yellow fever situation here shows general improvement. Twenty-eight cases are now under treatment, including only one American.

POSTOFFICE REPORT.

Revenues of the Department Exceed $100,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Postmaster General Charles Emory Smith in his annual report made public last night, besides discussing domestic and insular operations in the last fiscal year, devotes particular attention to the abuses of the second class mail matter privileges and extension of rural free delivery. He makes the following recommendations for legislation: Compulsory separation by publishers of second class mail matter, amendment of the interstate commerce law to prohibit telegraph and express companies or their employees from aiding or abetting in the green goods or lottery swindles or any other wrongful scheme carried on jointly by mail and common carriers, punishment of persons who forcibly attempt to enter mail cars or who assault a railway mail clerk while on duty, authority for postoffice inspectors to take out search warrants whenever necessary, an appropriation for constructing inspectors' lookouts in postoffices wherever the postmaster general deems them necessary.

The financial operations of the department for the last fiscal year are shown briefly in the following statement of revenues and expenditures: Ordinary postal revenue, $100,899,433.44; receipts from money order business, $1,455,145.85; total receipts from all sources, $102,354,579.29; total expenditures for the year, $107,740,267.99; excess of expenditures over receipts, $5,385,688.70.

From this statement it will be observed that the revenues have now passed the hundred million mark; also that while the expenditures were over $6,000,000 greater than for the previous fiscal year the deficit for the year 1899-1900 was but $5,385,688, being $1,225,088 less than that of the previous year.

Several pages of the report are devoted to rural free delivery.

STRIKE STILL ON.

Striking Weavers Seem to Be Gaining Ground at New Bedford.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 12.—The mill strike is still on, and efforts made by the state board of arbitration brought about no satisfactory result, for Treasurer Knowles refused to have a conference arranged.

The labor leaders, when they heard the result of the state board's call on Mr. Knowles, were agreed that it would only make the fight of the operatives more determined than ever.

It was stated upon the authority of the strikers that yesterday 50 per cent of the weavers employed in the Acushnet and Hathaway mills remained from their work.

In all probability this number will be added to before the week is out, for a labor leader was told by half a dozen weavers that they would leave the mills just as soon as they got the cloth they are now weaving off the looms. In some cases weavers have some $7 to $9 worth of cloth on the looms, and they will finish their cuts, so as to be able to know just what they are going to get.

Everything is very quiet and orderly about the mill gates, and there is no hooting or hissing or other insults to the weavers who choose to go to work.

GUAM PICKING UP.

The Situation Has Considerably Improved Since the Typhoon.

MANILA, Dec. 12.—The United States hospital ship Solace has arrived at Cavite from San Francisco. Her officers say the condition of affairs at the island of Guam has considerably improved since a week ago. Dwellings are being restored, and the people are resuming their occupation, but the crops are practically all destroyed, though there is no immediate want.

The Solace left supplies there, and the Arethusa has taken a considerable quantity of supplies to Guam from Cavite. The reports as to the number of deaths are about unchanged.

The wives of Commander Seton Schroeder, the new governor of Guam, and other officers who went to the island on the Solace remained at Guam.

A detachment of the Fifth cavalry had a fight with 100 insurgents south of Santa Cruz Sunday. The insurgents were chased for four miles. Fourteen of them were found dead. There were no American casualties.

In addition to this engagement there have been several minor encounters between the troops and the insurgents.

Big Price For Beef.

CHICAGO, Dec. 7.—One hundred dollars apiece for steaks and $10 a pound for roast beef was paid at the Fat Stock show when Schwartzschild & Sulzberger of New York bought B. R. Pierce's Aberdeen Angus steer Advance for $1.50 a pound. This was paid for beef on the hoof, and as the steer tipped the scale at 1,430 pounds the price was $2,145.

Tewksbury Found.

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Having been missing from his office in this city since July 13 last, Lewis G. Tewksbury, a stockbroker who owes, it is said, nearly $500,000, is reported to have been found living in the City of Mexico under an assumed name. A number of those who knew him here are endeavoring to confirm the report.

American Rails In Norway.

CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 11.—The Norwegian government has awarded the entire contract for steel rails for the state railways this year, 11,800 tons, to the Pennsylvania and the Maryland Steel companies. The contract last year was awarded to the United States and England, each taking half.

Sultan Presents Cigarettes.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 12.—The sultan sent a quantity of cigarettes Sunday to the crew of the United States battleship Kentucky, now at Smyrna. The Kentucky was electrically dressed. Captain Colby M. Chester, the commander of the Kentucky, will probably rejoin his vessel tomorrow.

Another Landslide at Helgoland.

CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 12.—Another serious landslide has occurred in Helgoland. Thirty houses have been engulfed, and a considerable part of the island has been for three days under water. Thus far it has been impossible to send relief, and the losses have not yet been determined.

Nelson Relics Stolen.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—Several relics of Lord Nelson, including his watch and many of the medals awarded him, were stolen from the Greenwich hospital Saturday after the attendants left. The police have no trace of the thief.

HOSTILITIES WANING

Important Captures, but Little Fighting, In the Philippines.

INSURGENTS GENERALLY RETIRING.

Americans Prevented From Landing Near Pandan—Large Quantity of Arms, With Printing and Signal Outfits, Seized In Mountains.

MANILA, Dec. 10.—While the captures of supplies and the occupation of new points are quite numerous those involving actual fighting are comparatively few. Apparently the insurgents are falling back at all contested points, sacrificing their possessions in most cases and satisfied to save themselves.

A detachment of the Forty-seventh United States volunteer infantry from the island of Catanduanes, off the southeast coast of Luzon, relinquished an attempt to land near Pandan. On anchoring the Americans were fired upon by 60 riflemen, and after a short engagement they cut the anchor chain and sailed for Catanduanes with two killed and two wounded. The names have not yet been received here.

Captain Richard T. Ellis of the Thirty-third volunteer infantry captured in the mountains near Barbar a large quantity of Krag, Mauser and Remington ammunition, together with a signal outfit, a printing press and other equipment. All of this was destroyed.

Thirty rifles and several hundred cartridges were secured at Victoria.

A detachment of the Fourth infantry captured Major Garion and three officers of lower rank in the town of Pasay. Another detachment destroyed General Ugnad's camp. The enemy had fled, but the Americans subsequently rounded up 25 insurgents.

General MacArthur has approved the death sentences passed upon several additional persons convicted of murder, arson and pillage. In a few other instances he has commuted death sentences to imprisonment.

Battleships Nearly Ready.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Three of the six battleships now under construction, the Illinois, Alabama and Wisconsin, are reported by Chief Constructor Hichborn to be practically complete, the work done upon them ranging from 87 to 99 per cent. The Maine, at Cramps', is set down at 38 per cent, the Missouri, at Newport News, at 19 per cent and the Ohio, at the Union Iron works, at 35 per cent.

Erie Canal Closed.

UTICA, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Water is being drawn from the Erie canal, and navigation for the season is at an end. It has been kept open nine days longer than the time originally decided on for closing in order to allow boats that were delayed by the break at New London to reach their destinations. The cost of repairing the break was about $7,000.

American Steel In England.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Three thousand tons of steel plates and angles for shipbuilding from the works of the Carnegie company reached the Clyde Sunday by the steamer Dunstan from Philadelphia Nov. 24. In spite of the railway freight to Philadelphia and the ocean freightage the price is still 10 shillings per ton below English figures.

Contract Let For Cup Defender.

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—A contract has been entered into by Thomas W. Lawson with George Lawley of South Boston to build a cup defender. Crowninshield will design her.

Woman Suffrage In Victoria.

MELBOURNE, Dec. 12.—The legislative assembly of Victoria yesterday passed the woman suffrage and old age pension bills.

COUGHS KILL

We know of nothing better than coughing to tear the lining of your throat and lungs. It is better than wet feet to cause bronchitis and pneumonia. Only keep it up and you will succeed in reducing your weight, losing your appetite, bringing on a slow fever, and making everything exactly right for the germs of consumption. Better kill your cough before it kills you.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

kills coughs of every kind. A 25 cent bottle is just right for an ordinary cough; for the harder coughs of bronchitis you will need a 50 cent bottle; and for the coughs of consumption the one dollar size is most economical.

"My cough reduced me to a mere skeleton. I tried many remedies, but they all failed. After using the Cherry Pectoral I immediately began to improve, and three bottles restored me to health. I believe I owe my life to it."
SARAH F. MORGAN,
Oct. 7, 1899. Browntown, Va.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and Tersely Told.

Officers of the Solace reported improvement at Guam.

The Standard Oil company has bought out the Pacific Coast Oil company.

The government's side of the Neely extradition case was presented to the supreme court.

It was officially announced at The Hague that the trouble with Portugal was not serious.

W. J. Bryan will be guest of honor at inauguration of Governor Elect Jennings of Florida on Jan. 1.

The Dutch records of Ulster county have been translated and sent to Albany to be indexed and published.

Supreme court has dismissed contempt proceedings brought against Standard Oil company by the attorney general of Ohio.

Former Queen Liliuokalani listened to a Thanksgiving sermon devoted to the blessings of annexation in a Honolulu church.

The New York city board of education asked for a bond issue of $14,031,325 for the purchase of sites and erection of new schools.

Tuesday, Dec. 11.

New York state dairymen convened in Watertown in annual session.

The Canadian troops left London for Liverpool, whence they sail for home.

George Westinghouse of Pittsburg has bought a large tract of mining land in Arizona.

The agricultural department reported 10,100,000 bales as the probable cotton production.

Serious floods were reported in the mountain districts of Jalisco and Guerrero, Mexico.

Rock taken from the Blackwell's island quarry by Commissioner Lantry has been found to contain gold.

Monday, Dec. 10.

Zero weather was reported in central and northern New York.

One thousand mill operators in New Bedford, Mass., went on strike.

Mrs. Mary McLean, mother of Mrs. Admiral Dewey, died in Washington.

The hearing of the Neely extradition case was begun in United States supreme court.

Fire has destroyed Iowa Agricultural college. Three hundred students in the building had a narrow escape.

Twenty persons were injured in an accident on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroad at Gray's Ferry station in West Philadelphia.

The large four masted steel ship Astral built for the Standard Oil company of New York has been launched successfully from the Arthur Sewall company's yard in Bath, Me. It is the largest sailing vessel afloat.

Saturday, Dec. 8.

The czar's condition continued satisfactory.

The year's British army estimates totaled £92,000,000.

New and rich goldfields have been discovered on Yellow river, Alaska.

Two freights were wrecked on the Boston and Maine near Salisbury, Mass.

An American bank, with capital of $8,000,000, has been organized at Rotterdam.

Fighting is proceeding between rebels and government troops at Buenaventura, Colombia.

English shareholders passed a vote of no confidence in directors of Stratton's Independence mine.

A launch used by Napoleon and other historical relics were destroyed by a fire in the Cherbourg arsenal.

Richard Baker, a London hotel proprietor, has been declared a bankrupt, with liabilities of over $3,000,000.

William Seaton broke the skulls of four persons and shot another in a fit of murderous rage at South Park, Wash.

Friday, Dec. 7.

Four boys were publicly whipped at Evansville, Ind., for theft.

A slight operation was performed on the pope for the removal of a tumor.

New York bankers have invited the president to attend their banquet Dec. 19.

Two Chicago clergymen have accepted a divekeeper's invitation to preach in his places.

The president of Santo Domingo urges reciprocity with the United States in his message to congress.

Stewards of the London Jockey club have decided not to grant a license to "Tod" Sloane to ride next year.

Governor Roosevelt will go to Colorado and New Mexico for a vacation in January and stay through February.

Two attempts were made to hold up Chicago street cars. One of them resulted in the arrest of two men, who narrowly escaped lynching.

Thursday, Dec. 6.

The Bulgarian cabinet has resigned.

Severe gales swept the English channel.

The czar's convalescence continued to take a favorable course.

Fire at Portland and Causeway streets, Boston, caused a loss of $150,000.

The Turkish government has stopped all telegrams from Smyrna relating to the Kentucky.

The Dutch premier declared himself unable to state when Holland could propose arbitration between England and the Boers.

Arrayed Against Europe.

BERLIN, Dec. 10.—The National Zeitung devotes its first page today to a carefully prepared editorial dealing with the United States as a world power. After pointing out the enormous progress economically and politically of America in the world's affairs the editorial declares that in both respects the United States is arrayed against Europe.

Big War Loan Voted.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The house of commons yesterday voted £16,000,000 to carry on a war Lord Roberts has daily announced as "finished" at full scale cost for another three months in the listless manner characteristic of its proceedings when dealing with finance and with a careful avoidance of what might turn out to be unjustifiable hopefulness.

King Oscar Able to Be Out.

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 8.—King Oscar has so far recovered from his recent illness that he now drives about the city and has recently been purchasing Christmas presents. He looks vigorous.

Ex-President and President Meet.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Ex-President Harrison visited President McKinley yesterday afternoon. He was accompanied by ex-Secretary Foster.

HAS STRANGE POWERS.

Harvard Youth Stands Still, Yet Keeps Several Strong Men from Lifting Him.

Can you tell why William H. Mack, an 18-year-old, 149-pound Harvard freshman, can stand still and yet keep several strong men from lifting him? His strange powers have made him a curiosity among his fellow students, and have puzzled prominent scientists in Europe and America. The Royal Medical society of England could not tell the source of his ability. Prof. Virchow, dean of the University of Berlin, decided after three weeks' study of him, that he had "a force of nerve resistance."

One day, in fun, a Harvard man tried to lift Mack off his feet. The boy put one hand on the man's neck near the spinal cord, pressed the other against the pulse of one wrist and stuck to the ground like a post. Then other

TRYING TO LIFT MACK.
(Four Harvard Athletes Do Their Very Best, But Fail.)

men, including the different football players and Cochems, the strong man of the university, tried and failed. Afterward Mack stood a vaulting-pole upright on the ground, steadied it between his flat palms and invited several heavy men to lift it or push it over in any direction. They took hold of the pole, he rubbed his palms briskly over their knuckles a few seconds, pressed his hands against the pole again and they were unable to move it.

One explanation of the young man's ability, says the Little Chronicle, is that a hypnotic current passes from his hands and weakens the nerve centers in his opponent's body so that the lifter has little strength. Mack had his power 15 years ago, but when a child it was not nearly so powerful as now. He does not understand it himself.

How Are Your Nerves?—If they are weak and you feel nervous and easily "flustrated," can't sleep, and rise in the morning unfreshed, your blood is poor. Strong nerves depends upon rich, nourishing blood. It gives sweet, refreshing sleep and completely cures nervous troubles. Begin taking it to-day.

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Butter per lb	$	.26
Eggs per dozen		.28
Lard per lb		.11
Ham per pound		.13
Pork, whole, per pound		.06
Beef, quarter, per pound		.07
Wheat per bushel		.90
Oats " "		.35
Rye " "		50
Wheat flour per bbl	4.00 to	4.40
Hay per ton		$16.00
Potatoes per bushel		.70
Turnips " "		.30
Onions " "		.80
Sweet potatoes per peck		.25
Tallow per lb		.05
Shoulder " "		.11
Side meat " "		.09
Vinegar, per qt		.05
Dried apples per lb		.05
Dried cherries, pitted		.12
Raspberries		.12
Cow Hides per lb		.3½
Steer " " "		.05
Calf Skin		.80
Sheep pelts		.75
Shelled corn per bus		.65
Corn meal, cwt		1.75
Bran, "		1.10
Chop "		1.15
Middlings "		1.10
Chickens per lb new		.09
" " " old		.09
Turkeys " "		.14
Geese " "		.14
Ducks " "		.08

COAL.

No. 6, delivered	2.60
" 4 and 5 "	3.85
" 6 at yard	2.35
" 4 and 5 at yard	3.60

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Cost of Production.

Coal is Mined Cheaper in America Than Other Countries.

The recent strike has rendered the subject of coal production of even more interest than it was before, and an article in the *Engineering Magazine* for November, by F. Seaton Snowden; puts the matter in an interesting way. Notwithstanding the higher wages paid in this country, it is maintained that coal is produced cheaper in the United States than in any other country. The average cost per ton of coal at the pit-head in the United States was estimated, in 1896, as 4s 9½d, as compared with 5s 10½ in the United Kingdom, 6s 11 in Germany, 7s 7d in Belgium, 8s 8d in France, 5s 9d in New South Wales, 10s in New Zealand and a fraction over 5 in Japan. Therefore, the question of profit in marketing our coal in Europe depends on the cost of transportation and that again turns on the carrying capacity of steamers and their operating expenses. It is shown that in proportion to cargo carried a 9,000 ton coal steamer is less than half as expensive as a 4,000 ton steamer.

Carrying Off a Dam.

The dam across the Susquehanna river at Columba, which was dammed during the ice freshets of the past two winters, is being carried away piecemeal and will soon be so badly wrecked that repairs will be out of the question. The heavy oak timber sheeting on the top of the structure is nearly all gone, and the iron bolts used in holding the frames together have been carried off by the thousand for scrap iron. Great sections of the squared timber forming the frame of the dam have also been taken. Probably $50,000 would be required to repair the wrecked structure.

A Girl Masquerading as a Tramp.

The identity of the young girl who has been masquerading in Indianapolis and Chicago as a tramp detective with the intention of writing a book, has been established through ex-Mayor Eby, of Harrisburg. Mr. Eby learned that her name was Susan Shelly, and that she is a daughter of John Shelly, of York Springs, York county, a retired farmer. She is 17 years old. Last October she started on her trip and has had all sorts of adventures, one of which resulted in her arrest on a charge of attempting to hold up an express messenger on the Pan Handle road near Richmond, Ind.

A Corner in Eggs Now.

The *Times-Herald*, of Chicago, says: "A corner has been made on eggs. The price is now 19 cents a dozen, and how high it will go no one but the men who are engineering the deal can tell. The men, Armour, Swift and other packers and dealers, who control the corner, have already made about $500,000, and their profits have only begun. The deal is of such proportions that it makes the Phillips corner on corn seem insignificant."

A Woman Swindler

A young smooth-talking woman of pleasing appearance is making a successful swindling tour of the State. Her scheme is to learn to do fancy work. After obtaining the entrance fee, which is three or five dollars, she explains that instructors will follow in a day or two to give the lessons and provide the material. The swindler then disappears and the instructors never appear.

Watch For These Frauds.

A gang of picture agents, who fleeced about two hundred people at Williamsport, are said to be working toward the coal region, and it may be well for our people to keep a lookout for them. Their scheme is the same old shelf-worn one, take orders to enlarge photographs and collecting a small sum in advance and then suddenly leave.

In the battle of life indolent amiability often passes for patience and achieves accordingly.

CATARRH CANNOT BE CURED

With local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

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EAST BENTON.

A few of our farmers have done a considerable lot of fall plowing.

Game has never been known to be as scarce as it is this season in our locality.

The Democrats did their "hollerin" before election and the Republicans afterward.

It is reported that our locality is infested with opossums, but we never saw such an animal.

The indications thus far point to an open winter. But plenty of snow may be in store for us.

Another soaking rain set in on last Tuesday morning, a week ago, and the ground is now thoroughly soaked.

The new St. James Church is about ready for dedication. It is the finest structure of its kind in upper Columbia County.

Alem White, of five points, also an aged citizen, died at about the same time and was buried at the Cambra M. E. Church on Friday.

The Hessian fly is playing havoc with many fields of wheat. This little pest is to be feared more than was the Hessian Army.

Hiram Sutliff, an aged citizen of Fairmount township died at the home of Edward Tubbs last Tuesday and was buried at Fairmount Springs on Thursday.

Some time ago C. L. Gibbons of this place lost two head of cattle mysteriously. Both died very suddenly. A cow was well and milked in the evening and was dead the next morning. So with the other head.

George Carey, of Cambra, our furniture dealer and undertaker disposed of all his personal effects week before last, preparatory to moving again to West Virginia, where he will be employed by a coal company.

From samples of copper shown, the copper ore in the Central Copper District must be abundant and in paying quantities. Lack of funds delays a speedy development of that mineral product.

There is strong talk of again operating the old Coal Oil and Mining Company's well at Pine Creek, above Register. Some sixty or seventy years ago a compang was formed for the purpose of boring for salt. It has been stated, upon good authority, that petroleum flowed from the well, and about thirty years ago a company was formed to develop coal oil but failed.

John Hughes, who shot the burglar at Cambra some time ago, has been in correspondence with a Mrs. Finley and others, of Finleyville, Washington County, who were anxious to learn as much about the dead burglar as possible in order to be certain about his identity. From this correspondence his identity has been fully established. The dead burglar was photographed while on exhibition at Cambra for nearly a week, and scores of these photos were sent all over the country.

Mrs. Finley exchanged photos of the living burglar with John Hughes of the dead burglar. Mr. Hughes received two photos, one at about the age when he was shot, and the other when comparatively a young man. The latter represented him as a very beautiful and accomplished young man. He was a handsome man, even at the time of his tragic death. His features, even in death, portrayed the impress of the typical man, while his photos do not betray any signs of the criminal. Every feature upon his countenance conclusively pointed to a season of better days. Evidently he had been educated in two great schools—one of intelligence, fame and renown; and the other of sin, shame and crime. He was a graduate in both. The end of his career proved that he had fallen into the lowest depth of depravity.

The Mrs. Finley, above spoken of, assumed the name of her first husband in her correspondence with John Hughes, while at the same time she was the wife of Sir Charles Douglas, a Scotchman, by her second marriage, which was solemnized sometime last August, which information was received from another party at the same place. Sir Charles deserted his wife sometime in September, about six weeks after marriage and robbed his wife of $290 and two gold watches. No doubt the manners and address of Sir Charles Douglass would have fascinated any woman who might have contemplated matrimony. We, therefore, do not wonder that Mrs. Finley was thus taken in, betrayed, and robbed, both of her property and good name, for we learn that she is a highly respectable lady, very intelligent and highly accomplished. From trustworthy reports this lady merits public sympathy for her unfortunate matrimonial venture. Her letters, in point of legibility, neatness and construction rank with those of the highest order, and reveal intelligence and ability seldom found in classical correspondence.

Nevada is the most sparsely settled region within the United States.

A soft answer may turn away wrath, but sometimes it comes hard.

Hereafter at hotels and restaurants all over Pennsylvania no matter whether in country, city, town, village, or hamlet, the guests will no longer be given quail, wild turkey, venison, woodcock or pheasant to eat, and if it is on the menu the proprietor of the hotel or restaurant is liable to a fine of from $25 to $100. It is the law that the game mentioned cannot be killed for sale, and even if given to a hotel man or restaurant proprietor, if he serves them as a part of a meal for which he takes money, he is liable to arrest and punishment. This seems like a very hard law, but the state game commission says that as it is the law it will be enforced, and that its enforcement is necessary in order to preserve the game in the state, and that once more when game becomes plentiful, when men no longer shoot and sell it, there will be immediate repeal.—*Lewisburg Chronicle.*

Strike Reduced Coal Profits.

The anthracite strike, which was brought to a close just before election, will probably have cost the railroad and coal companies not less than $10,000,000 in gross earnings, and will actually have cost them in the neighborhood of $5,000,000. The losses of the roads in October alone, reports for which are just issued, according to the Financial Chronicle, of New York, aggregated $6,812,338.

Will Prospect for Oil.

The recent discovery of oil and gas as near as Williamsport has revived interest among Huntington Valley land-owners. Oil fever has taken a pretty good hold about Register and Cambra and the formation of a prospecting company to "bore for oil."

Happy Illustration.

"What is an anecdote, Johnny?" asked the teacher.

"A short, funny tale," answered the little fellow.

"That's right," said the teacher. "Now, Johnny, you may write a sentence on the blackboard containing the word."

Johnny hesitated a moment, and then wrote this:

"A rabbit has four legs and one anecdote."—Tit-Bits.

The Deluded Canine.

"The dog is one of the most intelligent of animals," remarked Willie Wishington.

"So I've heard," answered Miss Cayenne.

"And he is the most loyal admirer a man can have."

"Yes. I never could quite reconcile those two assertions."—Washington Star.

A Safe Bet.

Mr. Cobble—I'll bet that I can tell with absolute certainty just what the weather will be for the next 24 hours.

Miss Stone—I'd like to bet you five dollars you can't. Now go ahead and tell.

Mr. Cobble—Not so fast. Meet me on this spot to-morrow at this hour—Judge.

The Obedient Housemaid.

"If anybody should call this afternoon, Mary, say that I am not well," said a mistress to her newly-engaged servant. "I'm afraid I ate a little too much of that rich pudding for lunch and it, or something else, has brought on a severe headache. I am going to lie down."

A few moments later the mistress from her room near the head of the stairs, heard Mary say to two aristocratic ladies who called for the first time:

"Yes'm, Mrs. Browne is at home, but she ate so much pudding for lunch she had to go to bed."—Tit-Bits.

THE NERVES OF WOMEN

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Relieves the Suffering from Overwrought Nerves.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I am so grateful for the benefit derived from the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound that I wish you to publish this testimonial that others may know the value of your medicine. I was sufferiug such tortures from nervous prostration that life was a burden. I could not sleep at all and was too weak to walk across the floor without aid. The disease had reached a condition where my heart was affected by it, so that often I could not lie down at all without almost suffocating. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it worked like magic. I feel that your medicine has been of inestimable benefit to me."—MISS ADELE WILLIAMSON, 196 N. Boulevard, Atlanta, Ga.

Thin, Sallow and Nervous

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—I was thin, sallow and nervous. I had not had my menses for over a year and a half. Doctored with several physicians in town and one specialist, but did not get any better. I finally decided to try your medicine, and wrote to you. After I had taken three bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and three of Blood Purifier, my menses returned, and I feel as well and strong as I ever did, and am gaining flesh."—MISS LENA GAINES, Visalia, Tulare Co., Cal.

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Lady (to applicant for place)—Mrs. Flighty doesn't give you a very good character; in fact, she says you listen at keyholes. Well, I'm willing to overlook that, and engage you on one condition.

Applicant—What is that, 'm?

Lady—That you tell me every single thing you overheard at Mrs. Flighty's.—Ally Sloper.

Keeps the House Warm.

She—Does your wife ever boil with gas?

He—No; she generally boils with rage.—Yonkers Statesman.

Nightingale Lives on Drones.

A French naturalist asserts that nightingales devour the drones of a beehive, and never attack the workers.

The Golf Girl

Is the type of the modern woman at her healthiest and best. She walks with an easy grace. She is a picture of perfect womanhood in the springtime of life. But generally the golf club is laid aside with marriage. A physical languor oppresses the once athletic girl. Exercise makes her back ache. She tires easily. Usually she accepts this condition as a natural thing, but it is unnatural. Marriage should add to woman's happiness, rather than subtract from it. If women understood how intimately the general health is related to the local health of the womanly organs, they would appreciate the fact that there is no need to suffer from weakness and backache. The use of Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription makes weak women strong, sick women well. It regulates the periods, heals inflammation and ulceration, cures female weakness, and puts the body in a condition of sound health.

Mrs. H. A. Alsbrook, of Austin, Lonoke Co., Ark., writes: "After five months of great suffering with female weakness I write for the benefit of other sufferers from the same affliction. I doctored with our family physician without any good results, so my husband urged me to try Dr. Pierce's medicines—which I did, with wonderful results. I am completely cured. I took four bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, four of his 'Golden Medical Discovery' and two vials of his 'Pleasant Pellets.'"

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets cure constipation and its consequences.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE

LACKAWANNA RAILROAD.

BLOOMSBURG DIVISION.

In effect June 10, 1900.

STATIONS.	EAST. A.M	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
NORTHUMBERLAND	7 35	1.50	10 00	5 50
Cameron	6 47	2 01	....	6 13
Chulasky	....	....	....	....
Danville	6 58	2 11	10 19	6 12
Catawissa	7 12	2 24	10 34	6 27
Rupert	7 17	2 29	10 37	6 32
Bloomsburg	7 24	2 34	10 43	6 38
Espy	7 32	2 40	10 48	6 44
Lime Ridge	7 39	2 46	....	6 50
Willow Grove	7 44	12 51	....	....
Briarcreek	7 49	2 56	....	6 58
Berwick	7 55	3 01	11 05	7 05
Beach Haven	8 02	3 08	....	7 13
Hick's Ferry	8 12	3 09	....	7 21
Shickshinny	8 17	3 20	11 29	7 31
Hunlock's	8 24	3 31	....	7 41
Nanticoke	8 38	3 38	11 43	7 46
Avondale	8 42	3 42	....	....
Plymouth	8 47	3 47	11 51	7 55
Plymouth Junction	8 51	3 52	....	....
Kingston	8 53	4 20	11 59	8 02
Bennett	9 01	4 03	....	8 04
Forty Fort	9 04	4 07	....	....
Wyoming	9 09	4 12	12 08	8 12
West Pittston	9 13	4 17	....	8 16
Susquehanna Ave	9 16	4 20	12 14	8 18
Pittston	9 19	4 24	12 17	8 16
Duryea	9 23	4 29	....	8 25
Lackawanna	9 26	4 32	....	8 27
Taylor	9 32	4 40	....	8 35
Bellevue	9 37	4 45	....	....
SCRANTON	9 42	4 50	12 35	8 45
	A.M	P.M.	P.M	P.M

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Pittston	7 07	10 31	2 17	6 13
Susquehanna Ave	7 10	10 33	2 19	6 16
West Pittston	7 13	10 35	2 23	6 19
Wyoming	7 17	10 40	2 27	6 24
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Kingston	7 30	10 54	2 40	6 35
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Nanticoke	7 45	11 11	2 58	6 51
Hunlock's	7 51	11 17	3 06	6 56
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Beach Haven	8 18	11 48	3 37	f7 28
Berwick	8 23	11 54	3 44	7 33
Briarcreek	8 28	....	3 50	....
Willow Grove	8 31	....	3 54	....
Lime Ridge	8 34	f12 09	3 58	....
Espy	8 39	12 15	4 06	7 52
Bloomsburg	8 44	12 22	4 12	7 57
Rupert	8 49	12 27	4 17	8 01
Catawissa	8 54	12 32	4 22	8 05
Danville	9 09	12 47	4 38	8 20
Coulasky	....	....	f4 42	....
Cameron	9 21	12 57	4 48	....
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 35	1 10	5 00	8 45
	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.

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a.m. | a.m. | p.m | p.m.	STATIONS.	a.m | p.m | p.m | a.m
7.10 | 12.05 | 6.25 | 2.15	Bloomsbu'g.	8.47 | 2 40 | 6.35 | 6.10
7.08 | 12.00 | 6.16 | 2.10	" P. & P.	8.49 | 2.42 | 6.37 |
7.03 | 11.57 | 6.14 | 2.08	" Main st.	8.52 | 2.43 | 6.40 |
6.53 | 11.47 | 6.02 | 1 50	Paper Mill.	9.01 | 2.54 | 6 5 | 6.37
6.50 | 11.43 | 5.59 | 1.45	Light St.	9.05 | 2.59 | 5.55 | 5.50
6.40 | 11.33 | 5.49 | 1.30	Orangeville.	9 15 | 3.10 | 7.04 | 7.10
6.28 | 11.2 | 5.38 | 1.00	Forks	9.23 | 3.20 | 7.14 | 7.35
6.25 | 11.19 | 5.34 | 12.53	Zaner's	9.27 | 3.24 | 7.18 | 7.41
6.18 | 11.13 | 5.27 | 12.45	Stillwater	9.33 | 3.30 | 7.24 | 8.00
6.08 | 11.05 | 5 17 | 12.3	Benton	9.43 | 3.40 | 7.34 | 8.30
6.01 | 11.00 | 5.12 | 12.10	Edson's	9.47 | 3.44 | 7.37 | 8.46
6.02 | 10.58 | 5.10 | 12.03	Cole's Cr'k.	9.50 | 3.47 | 7.41 | 8.46
5.53 | 10.52 | 5.03 | 11.53	Laubach	9.58 | 3.57 | 7.51 | 9.00
5.44 | 10.43 | 4.53 | 11.43	Central	10.10 | 4.07 | 8.01 | 9.25
5.40 | 10.40 | 4.50 | 11.39	Jam. City	10.14 | 4.10 | 8.05 | 9.35
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TRAINS LEAVE BLOOMSBURG:

For New York, Philadelphia, Reading Pottsville, Tamaqua, weekday- 7.20 11 30 a. m.

For Williamsport, weekdays, 7.20 a. m., 3.36 p m.

For Danville and Milton, weekdays, 7.20 a. m. 3.36,

For Catawissa weekdays 7.20, 8.38, 11.30 a. m., 12.20, 5.00, 6.30, p. m.

For Rupert weekdays 7.20, 8.38 11.30 a. m., 12.20, 3.36, 5.00, 6.30, p. m.

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Leave Philadelphia 10.21 a. m.

Leave Reading 12.15 p. m.

Leave Pottsville 12.30 p. m.

Leave Tamaqua 1.49 p. m.,

Leave Williamsport weekdays 10.13 a m, 5.42 p m.

Leave Catawissa weekdays, 7.00, 8.26 9.10 a. m 1.30 8.36, 6.08 p. m.

Leave Rupert, weekdays, 7.08, 8.23, 9.18 11.40 a. m., 1.38, 3.46 6.21.

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	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Scranton (D. & H.) lv	6 45	1 9 58	1 2 18	1 4 27
Pittston " "	7 37	10 00	1 2 42	4 52
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M
Wilkesbarre, lv	7 30	10 55	1 3 08	6 09
Plym'th Ferry "	7 38	11 02	1 3 16	1 6 07
Nanticoke "	7 46	11 10	3 26	6 17
Mocanaqua "	8 01	11 32	3 46	6 37
Wapwallopen "	8 13	11 44	3 56	6 41
Nescopeck ar	8 24	11 52	4 07	7 06
	A. M		P. M.	P. M.
Pottsville lv	5 50		12 18	4
Hazleton "	7 05		2 00	5 50
Tomhicken "	7 22		2 18	6 19
Fern Glen "	7 29		2 27	6 27
Rock Glen "	7 35		2 34	6 2
Nescopeck ar	8 00		3 00	6 [illegible]
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Nescopeck lv	8 24	11 52	1 4 07	5 7 01
Creasy "	8 33	12 02	4 16	7 01
Espy Ferry "	8 43	12 10	f 4 24	7 20
E. Bloomsburg "	8 47	12 14	4 29	7 25
		P. M.		
Catawissa ar	8 55	12 21	4 35	7 32
Catawissa lv	8 55	12 21	4 35	7 32
S. Danville "	9 14	12 38	4 53	7 51
Sunbury "	9 35	1 00	5 15	8 15
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Sunbury lv	9 42	1 10	5 45	8 40
Lewisburg ar	10 13	1 45	6 18	.....
Milton "	10 08	1 39	16 14	9 04
Williamsport "	11 00	2 30	7 10	9 50
Lock Haven "	11 59	3 40	8 07	.....
Renovo "	A. M.	4 40	9 00	.....
Keating "	.....	8 25	.....	.....
	P. M.	P. M.		
Lock Haven lv	12 10	12 45	.....	.....
Bellefonte ar	1 05	1 4 14	.....	.....
Tyrone "	2 15	16 00	.....	.....
Philipsburg "	4 41	18 26	.....	.....
Clearfield "	5 37	19 09	.....	....
Pittsburg "	6 55	111 30	.....	....
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M
Sunbury lv	9 50	1 1 55	1 5 25	1 8 31
Harrisburg ar	11 30	3 15	6 55	110 10
	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.
Philadelphia ar	3 17	1 6 3	110 20	1 4 25
Baltimore "	3 11	1 6 0	1 9 45	2 20
Washington "	4 10	7 15	110 55	4 05
	A. M.	P. M.		
Sunbury lv	39 57	1 2 03	.....	
	P. M.			
Lewistown Jc ar	11 40	1 3 50	.....	
Pittsburg "	1 6 55	111 30	.....	
	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M
Harrisburg lv	11 45	13 45	1 7 20	110 25
			A. M.	A. M
Pittsburg ar	1 6 55	111 30	1 1 50	1 5 30

† Weekdays. Daily. f Flag station

	P. M.	p. m	a m.	a.m
Pittsburg lv	1 7 10	1 8 30	1 3 00	1 8 00
Harrisburg ar	1 1 55	1 3 40	1 9 30	1 3 10
		a.m.	p. m.	a.m.
Pittsburg lv	.....	.....	...	† 8 00
				P. M.
Lewistown Jc. "	.....	† 7 30	3 43	† 3 10
Sunbury ar	.....	† 9 20	5 08	† 5 10
	p. m.	A. M.	A. M.	a. m
Washington lv	110 40	.....	† 7 45	110 50
Baltimore "	111 41	1 4 50	† 8 40	111 45
Philadelphia "	111 20	1 4 25	1 8 40	112 22
	A. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Harrisburg lv	1 3 35	1 7 55	111 40	† 4 00
Sunbury ar	1 5 05	1 9 36	1 10	† 5 40
	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
Pittsburg lv	112 45	.....	1 2 50	1 8 00
Clearfield "	4 09	.....	.....	9 28
Philipsburg "	4 56	.....	.....	10 12
Tyrone "	7 15	.....	1 8 10	12 30
Bellefonte "	8 31	.....	9 32	1 42
Lock Haven ar	9 30	.....	10 30	2 43
	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Erie lv	1 4 30	.....	.....	.....
Kane "	7 55	.....	1 6 00	.....
Renovo "	11 15	† 6 45	10 30	.....
Lock Haven "	12 03	† 7 35	11 25	1 3 00
	A. M.		P. M.	
Williamsport "	1 05	1 8 30	†12 40	4 00
Milton "	1 56	9 19	1 27	4 52
Lewisburg "	.....	9 05	1 15	4 47
Sunbury ar	2 27	9 46	1 55	5 20
	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M
Sunbury lv	36 50	1 9 55	† 2 00	†5 48
S. Danville "	7 13	10 17	2 21	6 09
Catawissa "	7 31	10 35	2 36	6 27
E. Bloomsburg "	7 39	10 43	2 43	6 32
Espy Ferry "	7 43	f10 47		f 6 36
Creasy "	7 53	10 56	2 55	6 46
Nescopeck ar	8 03	11 06	3 05	6 55
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Nescopeck lv	.....	†11 55	†4 10	† 7 05
Catawissa "	7 38			
Rock Glen "	8 26	12 21	4 36	7 31
Fern Glen "	8 33	12 27	4 42	7 37
Tomhicken "	8 42	12 35	4 51	7 45
Hazleton "	9 02	12 55	5 12	8 05
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Mocanaqua "	8 28	11 32	3 29	7 21
Nanticoke "	8 48	11 54	3 48	7 42
		P. M.		
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Pittston (D. & H.) ar	† 9 39	112 49	† 4 52	† 8 36
Scranton " "	10 08	1 18	5 20	9 05

Additional train will leave Hazleton 5.15 p.m. Rock Glen, 5.50 p. m., arriving at Catawissa 6.25 p. m.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1900.

Jerseytown Dedication.

The dedication of the new M. E. church has been postponed until Jan. 6. 1901. Dr. George Edward Reed president of Dickinson college will preach the morning sermon, and Dr. W. W. Evans, Presiding Elder will have charge of the finances, and preach in the evening. A number of ministers are expected to be present and speak at the platform meeting in the afternoon. A week's services is being arranged and when completed it will be given out for publication.

The Ladies' Aid will hold a fair in parlors of the church 13, 14, and 15. On Thursday evening Dec. 13 they will serve a chicken and waffle supper. They promise an evening's enjoyment. On Friday evening oysters in all styles will be served and lunch as well, also ice cream and all kinds of confectionery. The fair will be open on Saturday afternoon and evening, oysters, lunch and hot coffee will be sold. A fine display of articles will be on sale. Come and enjoy this treat, so says

STYLUS.

Dedication of St. James Reformed Church.

The dedication of this beautiful church which is located in Fishingcreek township, Columbia county, will take place on Sunday December 30th. In connection with this event there will be three sessions: The forenoon session will begin at 10 a. m. and will consist of music by the choir, sermon by Rev. D. W. Ebbert D. D., an appeal by Rev. O. H. Stronk, and the consecration of the church.

The afternoon session will begin at 2:30 p. m., and the service will be in the form of a parliament. It will consist of music, short addresses on subjects pertaining to church work, and the presentation of the keys by the building committee.

The evening session will begin at 7 p. m., and will be in the form of a C. E. service, with short addresses by the ministers present.

The following ministers have been invited to be present: Rev. A. H. Herbst of Wapwallopen, Rev. J. W. Reinecke of St. John's church, Butler Valley; Rev. G. E. Limbert of Danville, Rev J. D. Thomas, Ph. D., of Bloomsburg; Rev. D. W. Ebbert, D. D., of Milton and Rev. O. H. Stronk of Schuylkill Haven. All are invited.

A. HOUTZ, Pastor.

Normal Excursion to Washington.

The Annual Excursion of the Normal School to Washington, D. C., will start next Monday, December 17th, on the Reading Railroad, and will return on Friday.

The cost of the trip will be $14.00. This embraces all necessary expenses, including railroad fare (special train), hotel charges (three meals per day at first class hotel), fees of guide at Capitol and elsewhere, and transportation of baggage between the hotel and railroad station. It also includes the expense of a trip to Mt. Vernon, Alexandria and Arlington, with admission to the grounds at each place. The return will be by the way of Philadelphia, and the above named sum includes cost of dinner on that day in the Reading Terminal Dining Rooms of the Phila. & Reading Railroad Company. After dinner the time, until 3:30 p. m, will be spent in visiting the Mint, the Old State House, and other objects of historic interest. The train will leave Philadelphia (Reading Terminal Station), 3:30 p. m., Friday, and will make a brief stop at Valley Forge, famous as Washington's Head-quarters during the Revolutionary War, after which it will proceed to Bloomsburg, where it will arrive about 9 p. m.

Dr. Welsh will be assisted in the conduct of the party by members of the faculty who have visited Washington before and who are well-informed in regard to all places to be visited. The excursionists will be divided into groups of twenty-five or thirty each, so that all can get the full explanations of the teachers and guides, and this total number is to be limited to 150 persons.

The excursion will be open to students, graduates, and former and prospective students of the school. A limited number of special friends may also be admitted.

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The striking of the new clock in the tower of the Normal Auditorium can be plainly heard in every part of town.

The regular term recital by the music pupils of the Normal School will be given in the Auditorium Saturday evening at eight o'clock.

The land below Berwick which formerly constituted the fair grounds has been laid out in building lots, and is now being offered for sale.

Christmas is the next important stopping place for amusement and good cheer. Many are preparing for the event.

Mrs. M. A. Watson has a large line of fall hats including the latest styles. Call and see them, Main street below Market. tf

The two new frame houses being erected by J. W. Webb, on Ninth Street, just off of Market Street, are nearly completed.

We have put in a stock of some very beautiful mirrors for Christmas presents for some body. See them and be convinced of their beauty at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

Mrs. George Dirk died at her home near Talmar, Friday of last week, aged about twenty-six years. A husband and an infant son survive.

The Y. M. C. A. Glee Club concert at Normal Hall last Thursday evening was an enjoyable affair, and highly spoken of by persons in attendance. Mrs Gilbert's singing was the leading feature, and the solos by R. F. Colley, O. H. Yetter and Dr. Aldinger were also very good. The other parts of the program were well carried out.

To All Holders of Bloomsburg Carpet Mill Bonds.

There will be a meeting of the holders of Carpet Mill bonds, at the office of Grant Herring, in the Town of Bloomsburg, on Saturday, December 22d, 1900, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of taking proper steps to protect the interests of the bondholders. All bondholders are urged to be present. 2t COMMITTEE.

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The Reuben Hess farm has been purchased by Geo. W. Keiter. It is the purpose of Mr. Keiter to start a stock farm. The property is situated near the mouth of Fishing Creek.

At the closing session of the Teachers' Institute last week, an effort was made to have the meeting held at Berwick next year. In order that the matter might be amicably settled, Superintendent Miller submitted it to a vote of the institute. Bloomsburg was the choice, the count being 148 to 84 for Berwick.

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SHERIFF'S SALE.

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 1901,

at two o'clock p. m., all that certain lot of ground, situate in Shuman's Addition to the Town of Catawissa, in the Township of Catawissa, in said County of Columbia, bounded and described as follows, to wit: On the east by land of said Franklin L. Shuman one hundred and fifty feet, on the north by an alley, forty feet, on the south by Mill street, in said town, forty feet, being lot No. 84, in said addition, as laid out and surveyed in a plot or draft made by Samuel Neyhard, on which are erected a two-story

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE

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SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 1901,

at two o'clock p. m., all that certain messuage and lot of land, situate in Orangeville, in the County of Columbia and State of Pennsylvania, aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a post, on Main street, and running thence along said street south thirty one degrees west, four and one-fourth perches to a post; thence by lot of Jacob Harman, now Catharine Slough, south sixty degrees west eight perches to a post; thence by other land of said Catharine Slough north thirty-one and one-half degrees east, four and one-quarter perches to a post; thence by land of James B. Harman north sixty degrees west, eight perches to the place of beginning, containing

34 SQUARE PERCHES,

be the same more or less, and being the same premises which Sarah E. Pursel, by deed, dated the 20th day of January, A. D. 1882, for the consideration therein mentioned, conveyed to M. L. Kline, party of the first part hereto, this mortgage, being given to secure the payment of the purchase money, whereon are erected a

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE,

barn and outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution, at the suit of Ella G. Turner, trustee, assignee of Silas Conner, vs. M. L. Kline, and to be sold as the property of M. L. Kline.

W. W. BLACK, Sheriff.

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Women who Save

the most money are the largest buyers of the Herrick Shoe. They get the result of the thirty eight years practical experience that the makers of it have had and, too, they get true value in quality, comfort, style.

A **perfect** shoe—faultless as years of careful study can make it. There is no fancy profit to the manufacturers in it—the low prices prove it. "Women who Save" are the largest buyers of

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$2.50—$3.00—$3.50

Oxfords 50 cents per pair less than above prices.

Special Notice.—Name and Price plainly stamped on sole of every shoe.

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Lamps from 25 cents to $13.00 at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

Fresh, Forceful Facts.

Facts are always more or less forceful. The stronger the fact the greater the force. Many a strong buying argument can you find here. Every stock teems with them.

Thoughtful, careful, prudent people, find much to their liking in this store. We try to protect you in your buying at every turn.

Special Offer for Bed Room Suit

Golden oak bed room suit, bed nicely carved, base of dresser large size, mirror on dresser 30 x 24. The suit would be cheap at $23.00. We will sell the suit we have on hand at $17.98.

Dinner Sets.

We haven't a set to offer you that we cannot guarantee not to craze or check. If you should buy a set here and a piece should do it, we will replace the piece and not charge you for it.

112 piece set, blue and green decorations, $9.98.
112 piece set, lavender, with gold decorations, $14.25.
112 piece set, gold decoration, $14.25.
100 pieces, blue decorations, $12.75.
100 pieces, green and pink decorations, $16.75.
100 pieces, Johnson's ware, worth $18.00, at $15.00.
112 piece set, decorated with pink and blue, $13.25.

We can sell you any size set of Johnson's white porcelain you may want.

Black Dress Goods.

Good this season, very good. We have never shown so big a line. You are invited to choose from these fresh lines. Newest weaves.

Black serge, from 15c. to $1.15.
Black Melrose, from $1.10 to $1.35.
Black camel's hair, $1.00 to $1.50.
Black cheviots, from 50c. to $2.00.

China, for Christmas.

The line is too big to attempt to tell what we have, but we invite you to come and see for yourself.

Fancy Rockers.

We have just received another lot of these goods to fill the holes that have been made by our big selling the last two weeks. Reed rockers, from $2.00 to $7.00. Fancy oak and mahogany rockers, $1.75 to $10.00. Morris chairs, $5.50 to $14.00.

F. P. PURSEL.

LOUISE,

The Newest and Best

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Shoe for women.
Light, flexible soles.
Very Shapely and Easy.
Name Stamped on Every Shoe.
None genuine without it.

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8 E. Main St.

THE COLUMBIAN.

BLOOMSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1900.

Entered at the Post Office at Bloomsburg, Pa., as second class matter, March 1, 1888.

FARM JOURNAL.

We are notified by the publishers of *Farm Journal* that their clubbing arrangement will end with 1900. We can supply them up to January 1st 1901, but not after that. All persons paying for the COLUMBIAN a year in advance before January 1st will get the *Farm Journal* for four years free. After that it will be too late. This is the last chance. Don't miss it. 5t

Legal advertisements on page 7.

Leases and notices to quit, for sale at this office. tf.

The Rescue Fire Company is making arrangements for a dance.

Royal Arcanum address cards can be obtained at this office. tf

Gold pens and pencils for either lady or gent at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

Bloomsburg has been the stranding point for two theatrical troupes the past week.

The largest line of juvenile books and prices right at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

Several Bloomsburgers witnessed "Way Down East" at the Nesbit Theatre, Wilkes-Barre, last night.

You can secure the *Ladies' Home Journal*, or *Success*, for 90 cents a year of J. Wesley Moyer. 9-6tf.

The finishing department of the Faul E. Wirt Fountain Pen factory is working twelve hours per day.

A very large line of lamps suitable for a Christmas present at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Good watches, for boys or men, fully guaranteed, only $1.40 up. at Geo. W. Hess'.

Go to J. Wesley Moyer's for Christmas novelties.

Fine 24 K. gold plated clocks at Geo. W. Hess'.

Xmas! Xmas! Xmas! Useful Xmas presents can be bought at Townsend's.

People are asking, have you been into see Bidleman's art display? You are invited.

Montour and Columbia Telephone.

We are now all ready to show you the most beautiful line of

CHRISTMAS * GIFTS

WE HAVE EVER SHOWN.

OUR LEADERS:

Sterling Silver Goods—925 fine.
Ebony Toilet Goods—beauties.
Leather Goods—in abundance.
Hand-Painted China—beautiful line.
Fine Perfumes—beautiful packages.
Baker's Fine Confections — finest made.
Lyon's Chocolate Creams—imported.
Cut Glass—in fine toilet bottles.
Traveling Cases—$1.00 to $6.50.
Fine Cigars—imported and domestic.
☞ Come in and see our line.

NOTHING BUT GOOD GOODS AT RIGHT PRICES.

W. S. Rishton, Ph. G.

Ent. Building. Pharmacist

Hosiery, 10c., two for 25c., and 25c, 50c per pair, at Ben Gidding's

People are asking, have you been in to see Bidleman's art display? You are invited.

Nice storm coats, the celebrated warm back, sold only by us, and made by Hart, Schaffner & Marx. Ben Gidding.

Pictures at S. R. Bidleman's from 5c. to $10.00. Come in and see them whether you wish to buy or not.

Smoking jackets at Ben Gidding's.

Before making your purchases don't fail to see the Lowelsa ware, made by exactly the same process as Rockwood's. Geo. W. Hess.

A nice little suit for your boy at Ben Gidding's.

Everything thought of for a good Christmas dinner at Tooley & Co.'s.

Bath robes and night shirts at Ben Gidding's.

Japanese fans, 30c up at J. Lee Martin's.

Tuxedo coats and full dress suits at Ben Gidding's.

Quadruple plate knives and forks, special Geo. W. Hess brand, guaranteed for ten years' wear, at Geo. W. Hess'.

Umbrellas at Ben Gidding's.

We desire a little of your patronage? Housel & Son.

A nice present for your husband or son is a fine Monarch shirt from Ben Gidding's.

All kinds of copying and enlarging is being done at The Beagle Studio.

Toques at Ben Gidding's.

The best is none too good for Bloomsburg. Nuf sed. Housels' Bloomsburg market.

Don't forget we are headquarters for celebrated makes of shirts. Ben Gidding.

1847 Roger Bros'. and Holmes & Edwards' silver plated ware at Geo. W. Hess'.

People are asking, have you been in to see Bidleman's art display? You are invited.

Japanese China pin trays, jewel boxes, ring trays, comb and brush trays, salad dishes, chocolate sets, all prices at J. Lee Martin's.

Pictures at S. R. Bidleman's from 5c. to $10.00. Come in and see them whether you want to buy or not.

J. E. Roys' line of holiday goods must be seen to be appreciated. All articles hand engraved free.

The largest line of toy books in town can be seen at Bidleman's Book Store for 5 cents upward.

Genuine Edison Phonographs and records at Geo. W. Hess.' Come in and hear it.

The largest line of toy books in town can be seen at Bidleman's Book Store for 5 cents upward.

Do not send to the city for books, bring your list, with the lowest prices you can find, I will get them for you.
S. R. BIDLEMAN.

If you want something in a fine hat for a Christmas present, don't forget our Youman at $5.00.
Ben Gidding.

Genuine ebony hand mirrors $2.45. Ebony brush and comb sets in case $1.85. Sterling silver brush and comb sets in case $2.75 to $6.50. All articles hand engraved free at J. E. Roys' Jeweler.

Gloves in Pearl, Mocha, silk lined, or unlined, tan Mochas and kids, at Ben Gidding's.

For a nice valise, come in and see us. Ben Gidding.

Books, games and toys, at J. Wesley Moyer's.

Xmas! Xmas! Xmas! The right place to look for a nice Xmas present, for father, brother or friend, is at Townsend's.

Jewelry of every description, stick pins, brooches, charms, chains, everything in the jewelry line. Prices reasonable at J. Lee Martin's.

Your choice of hundreds of cups and saucers, tea and coffee, after dinner sizes, with gold trimmings and beautiful decorations, at L. E. Whary's.

If you buy at Housel's you live good.

All sizes of jardinieres and pedestals—a splendid holiday article—at L. E. Whary's.

Buy your ties, suspenders and other furnishing goods at Gross'. A fine line on hand.

If you want a useful Christmas present, buy an overcoat of Gross. He has reduced the price on men's, boys' and children's.

Everything good is our specialty. Housel & Son.

T. G. Hawkes', Dorflinger's and Mt. Washington cut glass, at Geo. W. Hess'.

We are headquarters for oysters. C. R. Housel & Son.

Ladies' gold filled 'o' size watch guaranteed fifteen years for $10. J. E. Roys.

If you are undecided about what to give for a Christmas present, call on L. E. Whary. You are sure to be satisfied.

All articles bought at J. E. Roys' Jewelry Store will be beautifully hand engraved without extra charge.

For a real nice Xmas present go to Townsend's Star Clothing House.

People are asking, have you been in to see Bidleman's art display? You are invited.

8-day half-hour strike clocks at $2.50 up at Geo. W. Hess'.

Rarities of the season are our specialties. Housel & Son.

Fine photographs at the Beagle Studio, will be made for $2.00 during December.

Sterling novelties from 10c up at J. Lee Martin's.

Sterling silver, gold filled, ivory and pearl handle, finest quality, perfect shape umbrellas, at Geo. W. Hess'.

Leather goods, imported and domestic pocket books, card cases, bill rolls, etc., 50c up at J. Lee Martin's.

All work at The Beagle Studio will be finished before Christmas.

China and gilt clocks $1.25 up at J. Lee Martin's.

Well, Christmas is coming and you need to enjoy it good candy and fresh fruit of all kinds, and to find them you will have to go to the Exchange Bakery. There you will find hand-made toys and pure sugar taffies of all kinds and made right here every day. We sell the best candy manufactured in the United States, such as Lowney's, Tenney's, Gausset's Nuss Wunderle's, Vervet's and Miller's. Nuts, grapes and oranges of all kinds. To every person who spends 30 cents we will give a five cent present, commencing today and continuing until Christmas. All kinds of taffy and Christmas toys will be sold on Saturday for 10c per pound.
Exchange Bakery, 12 E. Main Street.
N. MALFAIER'S.

Hats and caps, suits and other clothing, very low in price, at Gross'.

Collar and cuff boxes at Ben Gidding's.

Robes, blankets, dress suit cases, telescopes, cabbies, trunks, all of which are suitable for Christmas presents, at C. S. Furman's.

R. C. Sheep has the exclusive right for Dr. Nelson's celebrated dandruff remover.

Baker's fine chocolates, in beautiful packages, 60c. a pound at W. S. Rishton's.

A large and complete line of Chinaware and cut glass at L. E. Whary's.

Dress cases at Ben Gidding's.

Tooley & Co., will call for your grocery order, if you but ask them.

Steamer trunks at Ben Gidding's.

Ebony hair brushes, with sterling silver seals, $1.00 at Rishton's.

Call on L. E. Whary and see his line of English Porcelain dinner sets.

Granges, nuts, bananas, grapes, sweet potatoes and cranberries at Tooley & Co.'s.

Mufflers and silk handkerchiefs at Ben Gidding's.

Everything in fine leather goods at Rishton's.

L. E. Whary's decorated dinner sets are beauties. Prices, considering the material, are away down.

Sweaters—men's and boys'—at Ben Gidding's.

Telephone Tooley & Co. for your groceries.

1,000 sterling silver novelties at Rishton's.

For a clean shave go to R. C. Sheep, corner Main and East Sts.

C. S. Furman is showing a large and beautiful line of dressing cases for Christmas.

Best value for the money at L. E. Whary's.

Neckwear, in all kinds and styles, at Ben Gidding's.

L. E. Whary's store is certainly a thing of beauty. A visit will do your eyes good.

You are sure to get something to please you in the way of Christmas presents at C. S. Furman's.

Come in and see us. We'll treat you right. Ben Gidding.

L. E. Whary's store is simply overflowing with an array of magnificent Christmas presents—a happy blending of the useful and the ornamental. There's a saving of money in every article displayed.

Don't forget us when in need of anything in men's, boy's and children's wear. Ben Gidding.

Imported porcelain dinner sets, with floral decorations, at L. E. Whary's. These make an exquisite Xmas gift.

A nice present for your husband is an overcoat from Ben Gidding's.

Bibles and hymn and prayer books, for the various denominations, at J. Wesley Moyer's.

Hats, gloves, ties, mufflers, underwear, and all kinds of Xmas presents at Townsend's Star Clothing House.

Toilet articles, real ebony and sterling backs from the cheapest to the best at J. Lee Martin's.

Elegant trunks and dressing cases for Christmas at Gross'.

JEWELRY TALK.

We have about everything in the jewelry line that is worth wearing. If we have not what you want, we can get it. Don't wait to buy Christmas presents until everything is picked out.

STICK PINS.
Sterling Silver, 10c up.
Solid Gold, 75c up.
Gold Filled, $1.00 to $2.50.

CUFF LINKS.
Sterling Silver, 30c up.
Solid Gold, $2.50 and up.
Gold Plate, 50c to $1.00.

BROOCHES.
Solid Gold, $2.00 to $75.00.
Gold Filled, $1.00 to $3.00.
Gold Plate, 40c to $1.00.
Sterling Silver, 25c and up.

We have a great many patterns and shapes of Sterling Novelties, and they range in prices from 10c up.

J. LEE MARTIN
JEWELER AND REFRACTING OPTICIAN,
45 WEST MAIN STREET, - - BLOOMSBURG, PA
First-class watch and jewelry repairing.

CLARKS'.

OUR CHRISTMAS STOCK

Of useful and ornamental goods was never more complete than this season. Our varieties of goods are extensive. The lines are complete. The store is filled from ceiling to floors with goods of all kinds. Now is your time to do your buying. We can serve you better, give you better selections now, and all that. Come and see our lines of goods, of all kinds.

STERLING NOVELTIES

In a big range of styles, and articles of all kinds, suitable for gift giving.

Sterling novelties, heavy, 25c each.

Sterling novelties, extra heavy, 48c each.

Ebonoid novelties, sterling trimmed, 25c.

You should see the lines of military brushes. Hair brushes, &c., in good variety.

DRESS GOODS.

These make a useful gift. Our lines are complete in

Black dress goods, all kinds.

Colored dress goods, all kinds.

Novelty dress goods, all kinds.

FURS FOR CHRISTMAS.

They make a useful gift. Our stock offers you a big line to select from. Have you seen our $1 56 neck scarf, worth half more; $4 00 Martin scarf, our $8 00 double scarf?

JEWELRY, FOR CHRISTMAS

Gold rings, cuff buttons, brooches, pins, filled gold rings, silver thimbles, fancy hat pins, chain bracelets, in gold plate and sterling silver. These have a big rage in the cities. We can and will save you money on these goods.

COATS, CAPES, SUITS.

Down go the prices, just when you need the goods, either for your own use or a nice gift. You should see them.

CHRISTMAS UMRELLAS

You don't know what you have missed if you don't see our lines for men, women and children. Newest handles, good materials, low prices. A nice gift, one of these umbrellas.

SILKS, FOR CHRISTMAS.

You will find this stock ready for your wants, for dresses, waists, or skirts, in black and fancy silks of all kinds, at lowest prices.

H. J. CLARK & SON.

GOLD SEAL

Rubbers.

Perfect fit,
Unrivaled In Style,
Unequaled For Durability.

The only make of Rubber Shoes and Boots in the world that will stand this test of elasticity and strength. For sale by

F. D. DENTLER.

CHRISTMAS!

NEAR AT HAND.

Select Your

HOLIDAY GIFTS

FROM OUR STOCK.

If you don't see what you want in our windows or cases when you come in, ask for it. We are likely to have it, if not, we can order it for you.

Our Prices, Quality and Service, Will be Right.

For the best in watches, clocks, jewelry, rings, spectacles, eye glasses, sterling novelties, toilet sets, table silverware, cut glass, Louwelsa ware, finest umbrellas, &c., buy only from

GEO. W. HESS,

Optician and Jeweler,

Bloomsburg, Penna.

☞ All articles finely engraved free when bought here. We guarantee everything as represented.

TO NEGOTIATE SOON.

Ministers Will Not Await Chinese Credentials.

PROVISIONAL PEKING GOVERNMENT.

Li Hung Chang Pays a Visit to General Chaffee and to a Temple Interior Never Before Seen—Compliments For Our Troops.

PEKING, Dec. 12.—At a meeting of the ministers it was agreed that as soon as the protocol embracing the terms for the peace negotiations is signed it shall be presented to the Chinese commissioners, and the ministers shall then proceed with the negotiations without waiting for the arrival of sufficiently authentic credentials for the Chinese commissioners.

The ministers prepared a draft of the credentials to be demanded of the Chinese and submitted a copy to Li Hung Chang and Prince Ching, together with a request that their credentials be secured without delay.

The British minister, Sir Ernest Satow, is still awaiting instructions from his government.

The ministers adjourned without fixing upon a date for their next meeting.

At a meeting of the military commanders for the purpose of arranging a provisional government for Peking it was decided to appoint Captain Dodds of the Ninth infantry, U. S. A.; Captain Selwin of the British army, Captain Sheba of the Japanese army, Captain von Brasen of the German army and Captain Ferigo of the Italian army as such government. Colonel von Gayl of the German army, who was second in command of the recent punitive expedition to Kalgan, was appointed chairman of the government. These officers will consult with the Chinese authorities regarding plans for the government of the city.

Li Hung Chang has paid a visit to General Chaffee, the American commander, at his headquarters at the Temple of Agriculture. This temple, together with the Temple of Heaven, near which is situated the race course established by the British military officers, where racing is held weekly, are the two most sacred edifices in China. The only person who worships in them is the emperor, and he only visits them annually.

Li Hung Chang and the members of his staff who accompanied him had never seen the interior of the temple before General Chaffee received them.

In the course of the conversation Li Hung Chang complimented General Chaffee upon his troops, particularly the cavalry. He said, "I think you and your cavalry could defeat me and mine."

Reference was made to lending American soldiers to repress the bands of robbers, Boxers and other disorderly characters, but during this part of the conversation General Chaffee was extremely diplomatic.

Placing Credit Where It Belongs.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 10.—The Novoe Vremya, in an article evidently inspired, referring to the recent dispatch from Dr. Morrison in Peking to the London Times saying that all the credit for securing softened terms is given by the Chinese to the Russians, remarks: "The credit for the existing entente really belongs to America. England begrudges President McKinley his just prestige because he has emphasized America's friendship for Russia." The Russian journal regards the alterations which America has procured in the peace preliminaries as of the greatest importance.

French Refuse, Russians Excluded.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Morning Post publishes the following from its Peking correspondent, dated Dec. 10: "The French have refused to participate in the scheme of a police committee for Peking, formed under the direction of Colonel Baron Gayl, in which the American member is Captain Dodds. The Russians have been excluded because they no longer exercise control here."

Pay Day For Miners.

HAZLETON, Pa., Dec. 12.—Within the next week a total of about $478,206 will be distributed in wages by the various companies of this region, making one of the biggest pay days in the history of Hazleton. The mines have been operated steadily since the recent strike, which, together with the 10 per cent increase granted by all the companies, will run the pay rolls away beyond what they have been for corresponding periods in previous years. The estimate is based on a careful canvass of all the coal companies' offices.

Fatal Rear End Collision.

TOPEKA, Dec. 12.—A rear end collision occurred between two Santa Fe freight trains near Olathe, Kan., whereby one life was lost and several persons injured. A north bound freight crashed into the rear end of a stock train, and both were wrecked. Noble Thomas of Emporia was burned to death in the caboose of the stock train, and his father was badly mangled. They were on their way to Kansas City with stock.

Americans Outbid English.

LONDON, Dec. 10.—The Daily Mail has received the following by mail from a Calcutta correspondent: "The port commissioners recently invited tenders for locomotives. The lowest English tender quoted £1,544 for each locomotive and wanted nine months to complete the order. The lowest American tender quoted £1,260 and asked for six months. The latter was accepted, subject to the approval of the government."

American Shipbuilding.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The vessels built in the United States and officially numbered from June 30, 1900, to Nov. 30, 1900, were 495, of 149,963 gross tons. The principal items of the total are seven steel steamships on the great lakes (34,933 gross tons) and four smaller steel steamships (8,456 gross tons), which could pass through the new Welland canal, and one steel schooner barge (2,700 tons).

Coal Famine In Norway.

CHRISTIANIA, Dec. 8.—There is coal famine in Norway, the price having risen 40 per cent, notwithstanding the fact that coal imports have increased 25 per cent. The Christiania papers intimate that the United States would find ready purchasers of coal in this country.

Harvard Defeats Yale.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 8.—Harvard defeated Yale for the third consecutive time in the intercollegiate debate in Sanders' theater last night.

STRIKE A FAILURE.

Santa Fe Officials Claim to Have No Trouble In Operating Road.

TOPEKA, Dec. 12.—General Manager H. U. Mudge of the Santa Fe said that the telegraphers' strike is a complete failure and that the road is finding no difficulty in filling the places made vacant by the operators. He still retains his place at the key in the general telegraph office, however.

By order of the general manager the block system is in force again on the road between Kansas City and Chicago. This order was made yesterday morning after the claim was made by the company that all the operations of the road were in normal condition again. In an interview on the several features of the strike Mr. Mudge said:

"Our business is running normally again. We have kept trains moving steadily under the train order system. It has been satisfactory enough to run the trains in the same way that other western roads run them. The Santa Fe has block signals, as the others have not. We are using the block signals from Chicago to Newton again. I gave the order for resumption this morning. All the striking operators received notice that their services would no longer be required by the company. The superintendent claims there are only 150 vacancies yet to fill and that they will be filled in a short time.

No More Operators Wanted.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Third Vice President J. M. Barr, superintendent of the operating department of the Santa Fe railway, has notified all the agents of the company not to employ any more operators, as enough men had been engaged to fill the places vacated by the telegraphers who responded to the strike call. He said:

"At 15 other points on the system we have been hiring new operators since this trouble began. Today I notified our agents not to engage any more."

LARGE IMMIGRATION.

Over Half a Million Foreigners Came to Our Shores Last Year.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The annual report of the commissioner general of immigration shows that during the last fiscal year the total number of immigrants who arrived in this country was 448,572, of which 23,200 came through Canada. Of the whole number 304,148 were males and 144,424 females. This is a net increase over 1899 of 136,857. These figures, however, the commissioner general says, do not show the total number of alien arrivals, as 65,635 aliens came as cabin passengers. They would have swelled the total immigration to 514,207 had they traveled in the steerage. The figures show that of the whole number of arrivals 424,700 came from European countries, 17,046 from Asia, 30 from Africa and 5,896 from all other places. Switzerland and Spain and the Spanish islands show a small decrease in immigration, while Austria-Hungary shows an increase of 83 per cent, the Russian empire and Finland 49 per cent increase, Italy 29 per cent increase and Japan 340 per cent increase. The total arrivals from Japan, however, amounted to only 9,791.

Of the 448,572 arrivals 54,624 were under 14 years of age, 370,382 were from 14 to 46 years and 23,566 were 45 and over. It appears that 93,576 could neither read nor write, and 2,097 could read, but not write. The total number exhibited to the inspectors in money the sum of $6,657,530, 271,821 bringing each a sum less than $30 and 54,288 having each a sum in excess of that amount.

There were returned within one year after landing in this country 356, and relief in hospital was furnished during the year to 2,417.

CZAR DID NOT SAY IT.

Intimation That He Would Not See Kruger Denied.

THE HAGUE, Dec. 12.—The Transvaal legation says it is authorized to contradict the report that Emperor Nicholas has telegraphed to Mr. Kruger an intimation that he will not receive him.

The Dutch government has finally and definitely refused to take the initiative in behalf of arbitration between the Transvaal and Great Britain.

The decision of the government was communicated in an interview between Mr. Kruger and Dr. Leyds and the Dutch foreign minister and minister of finance, Mr. N. G. Pierson. Mr. Kruger explained that the object of his journey was to disseminate the idea of arbitration, and the Dutch minister replied that the role of the Netherlands must be passive. The initiative belonged to the great powers, he added. When they had reached a decision, the Dutch government might see what it could do.

LOST IN A LAKE GALE.

Crew of Eight Goes Down With Sinking Barge.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 10.—A special to The Plain Dealer from Erie, Pa., says:

"In the midst of one of the most bitter gales that ever swept Lake Erie the iron ore barge Charles Foster, in tow of the Iron Duke, went to the bottom yesterday ten miles off Erie, and eight persons were drowned, including Captain John Bridge of Cleveland.

"The Foster was one of the fleet of James Corrigan of Cleveland and for two months has been running from Duluth to Erie with iron ore. Her cargo consisted of 1,500 tons of ore.

New York Markets.

FLOUR—State and western a shade steadier, but still quiet, as buyers lacked confidence; Minnesota patents, $4@4.25; winter straights, $3.40@3.55; winter extras, $2.60@2.90; winter patents, $3.60@3.80.

WHEAT—Dull, but firmer on steady cables, small northwest receipts and local covering; March, 79 1-16c.; May, 78 11-16@79 1-16c.

RYE—Steady; state, 52@53c., c. i. f., New York, carlots; No. 2 western, 56½c., f. o. b., afloat.

CORN—Steady with wheat and continued poor conditions on arrivals; May, 41⅞@42c.

OATS—Quiet, but steady; track, white, state, 29½@35c.; track, white, western, 29½@35c.

PORK—Steady; mess, $12.50@13; family, $15.50@16.

LARD—Steady; prime western steam, 7.57½c.

BUTTER—Steady; state dairy, 16@24c.; creamery, 18@26c.

CHEESE—Firm; fancy, large, fall made, 11¼c.; fall made, fancy, small, 11¾c.

EGGS—Firm; state and Pennsylvania, 27@30c.; western, loss off, 29c.

SUGAR—Raw firm; fair refining, 3 15-16c.; centrifugal, 96 test, 4 7-16c.; refined steady; crushed, 6c.; powdered, 5.70c.

TURPENTINE—Dull at 41½@42c.

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THE MONTHS' STORY.

JANUARY.

Though the long, frosty nights of the winter are here,
This month is the dawn of a happy New Year.
—Clifford Howard.

January was named for the old Italian god Janus, the deity with two faces, one looking into the past and the other into the future. Janus was worshiped as the sun god and was considered the author of the year, with its seasons, months and days. His temples were built with four equal sides, each side containing a door and three windows. The doors were emblematic of the four seasons, and the windows of the three months belonging to each.

The snowdrop, which means consolation, is January's flower, and the garnet, signifying constancy, is its gem. Gabriel is the presiding genius of January.

FEBRUARY.

This cold little month, with its twenty-eight days,
Is the season of snow with its fast-fleeting sleighs,
And dear little Cupid stops on his way
With missives of love on St. Valentine's Day.
—Clifford Howard.

February derives its name from the Latin word februo, to purify, it being customary for the Romans to observe festivals of purification in that month.

The amethyst, emblematic of sincerity, is the precious stone dedicated to February, and the primrose, typifying the freshness of early youth, is its flower.

Barchiel rules the fortunes of those born in this month.

MARCH.

Lord of all rough winds that blow,
I am March, and ere I go
I will sing you loud and low.
—Nora Hopper.

March is named for Mars, the Roman god of war. Among the Saxons this month was known as Lenct, meaning spring, and this is the origin of our word Lent. The "modest violet" is the blustering month's flower, and the bloodstone, signifying courage and fortitude, is its precious stone.

Malchediel is the ruling diety.

APRIL.

April, April,
Laugh thy girlish laughter,
Then the moment after
Weep thy girlish tears.
—William Watson.

April was named from the Latin aperio, to open, because the flowers open at this time of the year. The Saxons called it "Eastre" in honor of their goddess of spring, from which is derived the word Easter. Charlemagne called it the "grass month," and this name is yet given it by the Dutch.

The daisy and the diamond, both emblematic of innocence, are the month's flower and gem.

Ashmodel is the guardian of the April born.

MAY.

In blossoms fair the fields appear,
With balmy air sweet May is here.
—From the German of Ofer.

May owes its name to the Roman goddess Maia, the graceful daughter of Atlas and Pleione.

The hawthorne, emblematic of hope, and the emerald, of faithfulness, belong to May, while Amriel is the guardian genius.

JUNE.

Rapture of birds at dawn, a hush at noon—
Ah; by my heart's wild beating, it is June.
—Mrs. L. C. Whitson.

June is named in honor of Juno, wife of Jupiter, the Queen of Heaven, the guardian deity of women and the foundress of marriage.

The wild rose and the agate, typifying simplicity and health, are June's flower and gem.

Muriel is the month's own deity.

JULY.

A rustle of corn leaves; a tinkle
Of bells on the hills; a bevy
Of bees where the clover hangs heavy;
A butterfly blundering by—
And that is July!
—James Newton Matthews.

July gets its name from the great Roman general, Julius Caesar, who was born on the 12th day of this month.

The lily, signifying purity, and the ruby, emblematic of love, belong to July.

Verchiel is the presiding genius.

AUGUST.

The warm, late, fragrant days of August,
Drifting into the yesterday's dim sweetness, pass
Like loosened rose leaves shaken in the grass.
—Hattie Whitney.

August is named for Augustus Caesar.

The moonstone, which signifies wedded felicity, is dedicated to August. The old Romans called this stone "Lunaris" because it contained the image of the moon, and they believed it to have the power of curing diseases during the increase of the moon and that when the moon was on the wane the possessor of a moonstone could foretell future events.

The classic poppy, symbolizing the consolation of sleep, is August's flower, and Hamatiel guards the destinies of the August-born.

SEPTEMBER.

September—dreams are in the sound—
Dreams in the warm and yellow ground,
Dreams in the ripening leaves of trees
And in the drone of lazy bees.
—E. C. Thompson.

September derives its name from the Latin septem, this being the seventh month according to the ancient Roman calendar, when there were but ten months in the year. The morning glory, emblem of contentment, and the sapphire, of peace, are dedicated to September, while Truriel guards September's child.

OCTOBER.

So sadly, sweetly, the October days
Reign in their realm of quiet, pastoral ways.
—Will T. Hale.

October comes from the Latin octo, eight. The hop, symbolizing joy, and the opal, hope, are dedicated to October.

Bariel guides those born in this month.

NOVEMBER.

A wintry chill is in the air,
And o'er the frost-nipped land
The first light fall of snow is thrown
By young November's hand.
—Lizbeth B. Comins.

The name is derived from the Latin noven, nine. The chrysanthemum, "queen of autumn," typifying cheerfulness, is November's flower, and the topaz, which stands for friendship, is its precious stone.

Admachiel is the guardian deity.

DECEMBER.

Ah, this is the merriest month of the year,
Filled with gladness and joy and with rousing good cheer!
—Clifford Howard.

From the Latin decem, ten. The holly, emblematic of foresight, and the turquoise, of success, are the flower and gem for this month.

Humiel protects all those born in December.—St. Louis Republic.

MISS GRACE BOUTELLE.

Famous Maine Belle is Devoting All Her Time to Taking Care of Her Sick Father.

Although the reelection of Charles A. Boutelle, of Maine, to a seat in congress will probably never reach him, it is a source of great satisfaction to his daughter, Miss Grace, who is devoting her life to his comfort. As is well known Mr. Boutelle has been for many months an inmate of a private asylum

MISS GRACE BOUTELLE.
(Has Forsaken Society to Nurse Her Demented Father.)

at Waverley, Mass. His mind is a complete wreck and even the most sanguine of his friends have given up hope of his restoration to reason.

During his entire illness Mr. Boutelle's daughter has been a ministering angel. She is a beautiful young woman and was long a favorite in Washington society. She would be gladly welcomed back to the scenes of her social triumphs, but has chosen instead to remain close to her father. She has sacrificed everything to be as near the one she loves as possible. Not a day passes but she drives from her lodgings to the insane asylum to spend as many hours with the patient as the doctors will allow. By her tender and loving caresses she seems to soothe the uneasy patient, and if Congressman Boutelle recovers the doctors declare the credit will be due to his affectionate daughter.

Genuine Jordan Water.

An American has erected a number of steam pumps on the Jordan, and is now supplying churches in the United States and in Europe with genuine Jordan water.

Marks of Favor.

Londoner—She is one of your most popular actresses, isn't she?

American—Oh, yes. Why, she has had a race horse, a cigar and a tooth powder named after her.—Town Topics.

An Explanation.

"Take back the heart you gave me."
Said the progressive maid;
'Twas a little poker game, you see,
And she required a spade.
—Chicago Daily News.

NOT THE BEST.

"She told me last night she wouldn't marry the best man living."

"Ah, so she has accepted you?"—N. Y. Journal.

Seasonable.

The winds are high,
And once more
We hear the cry:
"Shut the door!"
—Philadelphia Press.

Killed the Kisses.

"Yes; they tried to live on bread and cheese and kisses."

"Didn't it work?"

"No. She made the bread and George furnished the Roquefort, and after that nobody wanted any kisses."
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Warm Pair.

Stubb—He is either a bartender or an inebriate.

Penn—Why?

Stubb—He named his twins Tom and Jerry.—Chicago Daily News.

Cold Weather Diet.

Miss Pester—Doctor, what do you recommend for a cold weather diet?

Dr. Bergamot—Flannel cakes.—Ohio State Journal.

A Gift to Give.—It is often difficult to decide what to get your friends for holiday gifts. Here is a suggestion:

"Good morning, Jennie, I have brought you a nice present," said Gertrude, as she handed her friend a neatly wrapped package.

The pale, weary looking girl, who was slowly recovering from a severe illness, opened the bundle and held up a large bottle of clear, rich medicine.

"Hood's Sarsaparilla!" she exclaimed. "I have been reading about it to-day and wished I had a bottle."

On New Year's Day Jennie was able to be out on the street, and to her friends who remarked how well she was looking she simply said, "Hood's Sarsaparilla," and every one of them knew it was this great medicine that had given back her health.

Never go by appearances. A genius sometimes wears good clothes.

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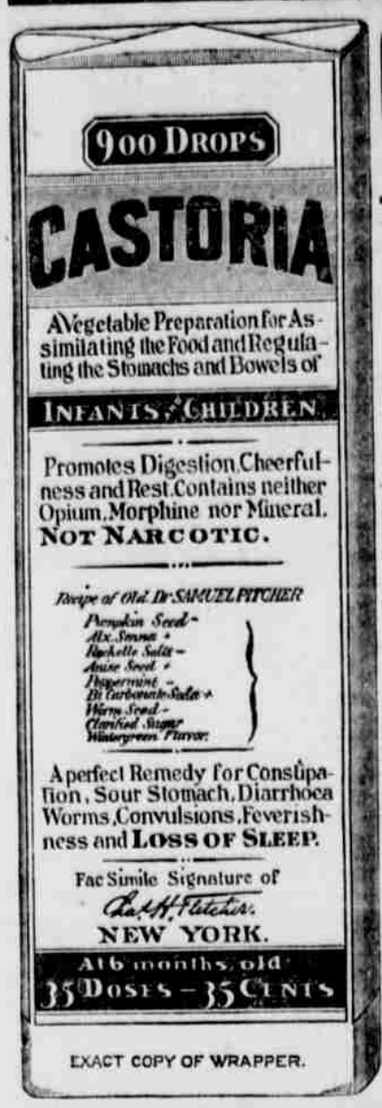
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REV. CAMPBELL MORGAN.

English Preacher Who Will Succeed the Late Dwight L. Moody at Northfield, Mass.

Rev. G. Campbell Morgan, pastor of the New Court Congregational chapel, London, England, has accepted a call to the pastorate at Northfield, Mass., left vacant by the death of Dwight L. Moody. Rev. Mr. Morgan has preached a number of times in Northfield and in Chicago, and is not unknown to the late D. L. Moody's congregation. His pulpit eloquence is more of the persuasive than of the trenchant kind. His voice is powerful and well modulated, and reaches the distant parts of the church without effort. He is fluent of speech and energetic in his gestures. He was born in Tetbury, Gloucestershire, England, on December 9, 1863. His father was a Baptist minister and his mother the daughter of a Baptist deacon. He was educated mainly at Cheltenham, from which place, at the age of 20, he passed to a mastership in the Jewish Collegiate school, Birmingham. He abandoned this calling for the work of an evangelist, and in 1889 accepted a call to the pastorate of the Congregational church in Stone, Staffordshire. In 1893 he took charge of the Westminster Road Congregational church at Birchfield, near

REV. CAMPBELL MORGAN.
(Mr. Moody's Successor in the Northfield Pastorate.)

Birmingham, and in February, 1897, he accepted a call to the New Court Congregational church, which he now leaves. He has published several books, the best known of which are "The True Estimate of Life," "Malachi's Message for the Men of To-Day," "Discipleship," "The Hidden Years at Nazareth," and "God's Methods with Man."

Judgment Partly in Error.

After his return to London from his first tour of the United States, Matthew Arnold, visited old Mrs. Proctor, widow of the poet, "Barry Cornwall," and mother of Adelaide Proctor. Mrs. Proctor, who was then 80 years old, in giving Mr. Arnold a cup of tea, asked him: "And what did they say about you in America?" "Well," said the literary autocrat, "they said I was conceited, and they said my clothes did not fit me." "Well, now," said the old lady, "I think they were mistaken as to the clothes."

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—A dumb waiter isn't a marker to a dumb waitress.

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—The dishonest undertaker is the personification of a dead beat.

CONVINCED BY PRINTED TESTIMONY of the hundreds of the cured, Mrs. Benz, of 418 E. 8th street, New York, who was for years a great sufferer from Catarrh, procured two bottles of Dr. Agnew's Catarrh Powder and it effected an absolute cure in a very short while. One puff through the blower will clear the head and stop headache. 50 cents. —57
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Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, successfully used by Mother Gray, nurse in the Children's Home, in New York, cure feverishness, bad stomach, teething disorders, move and regulate the bowels and destroy worms. Over 30,000 testimonials. They never fail. At all druggists, 25c. Sample free. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y. 11-22d4t

—It isn't always the actress with the smallest feet who is featured.

SOME FOOLISH PEOPLE allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say, "Oh; it will wear away," but in most cases it will wear them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price, 25 and 50c. Trial size free. At all druggists. 22

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HIS QUEER CALLING.

"May I ask what line of business you were engaged in at that time?" said one of a group, addressing a dapper little gentleman who had just narrated a rather remarkable story of adventure.

"My occupation was never officially classified," replied the little man, smilingly, "but I suppose I might have been termed a professional vandal—an expert defacer of public and private property."

"A what?" exclaimed the questioner in amazement, and in response to a general demand the dapper stranger proceeded to explain himself more fully. "I can best make the matter clear," said he, "by telling you briefly how I came to invent the business. In the summer of '92 I happened to be in a certain large northern city, out of work and badly in need of money. One of the local merchants was flooding the place at the time with all sorts of advertisements for a new shoe, which was then a trade novelty, and seeing his announcements at every hand I conceived a bright idea.

"In front of a magnificent public library, which was the pride of the city, was a statue of Shakespeare, seated in a chair with his legs crossed. He was supposed to be in an attitude of reflection, but he was also in the attitude of a man trying on a new pair of shoes. 'What will you give me,' I asked the enterprising merchant, 'if I put one of your shoes on Shakespeare's raised foot, another in his hand and a banner on his shoulder proclaiming the merits of the goods?' 'I'll give you $100,' he whispered, 'but no guarantee against lynching.' I took the contract, and next morning the whole city was aghast at what the newspapers called 'a fiendish desecration of a noble work of art.' Of course the merchant promptly denied all knowledge of the affair, and the exploit was generally attributed to larking college students.

"My scheme, in a few words," continued the dapper man, "was to put up advertisements in strange, unexpected and forbidden places, and the row that invariably ensued gave my patrons a species of publicity that was absolutely unique. They could always stand from under by simply denying connection with the affair, and it was then certain to be set down to unknown practical jokers. In such a business it was, of course, impossible to lay down any fixed rules; the work in each case depended entirely upon circumstances.

"You may remember, for example, the terrific uproar that was occasioned by the mysterious appearance of a baking powder 'ad' on the marble-floored rotunda of the state house in one of the North Atlantic capitals. The facts, as afterward developed by the senate investigating committee, were very strange and puzzling. The rotunda had been freshly scrubbed it seemed by an old Irishman, who had done a particularly neat and thorough job, and dozens of people who passed through it during the next two days testified that the marble was absolutely stainless. On the third morning, however, curious dark spots began to appear and soon resolved themselves into letters. They grew blacker and blacker, and by noon the baking powder 'ad' loomed out in all its glory, 25 feet long and nine feet wide. To cap the climax it was found that the discoloration extended into the marble fully an eighth of an inch, and later on cost the state nearly $2,000 to have it removed by a sand blast. The matter has since been arranged with the authorities, so I don't mind telling you that while the innocent old Irishman was scrubbing the hall he quietly traced the letters in a colorless solution of nitrate of silver. That chemical, as you probably know, becomes black after being exposed to the light for a certain length of time. The identity of the honest scrubber I will leave you to imagine.

"Another coup that attracted wide attention at the time was the inexplicable presence of a 90-foot streamer flying from the pinnacle of one of the tallest church spires in the United States and bearing the name of a well-known patent medicine. It was discovered one bitter cold morning in January and created profound amazement, for the temperature stood at five degrees below zero that day, and it was manifestly impossible for any human being to have scaled the sleet-coated spire. The pinnacle was exactly 186 feet above the pavement, and the newspapers advanced all sorts of weird theories, including the use of kites and airships, to explain how the streamer was attached. The congregation was furious, but it was impossible to get the thing down until the following spring, and it remained a standing 'ad.' for nearly 100 days. The explanation of this singular occurrence was absurdly simple. You see, everybody had forgotten about a humble steeple-jack who had ascended the spire, away back in the preceding April, to regild the metal work at the tip. This steeple-jack carried with him, under his blouse, a tightly rolled streamer and a small wooden box. He attached both to the side of the pinnacle and fastened down the streamer with a bit of wire which passed through a hole in the box. Inside the latter was some simple mechanism, operated on the thermostat principle, and so adjusted that when the mercury in a small thermometer fell to five degrees below zero it formed an electric connection and released the wire. After these things were quietly arranged, the steeple-jack regilded the top, came down, got his pay and disappeared. The rolled streamer and box were entirely too small to be observed at that height, and, moreover, they were partly hidden by some ornate scroll work. There they remained, unseen and unsuspected, until that bitter night in January, when the thermometer, for the first time in the year, fell low enough to make the connection and release the fastening. A gale was tearing through the upper air and the streamer instantly whirled out to its full length, exactly as the tightly-wadded colors 'break' from a masthead in a yacht race. They discovered the trick when they removed the bunting, but in the meanwhile it was one of the biggest mysteries of the day.

The dapper stranger lit a fresh cigar and for awhile silence reigned. Then a man from Chattanooga spoke up.

"I beg pardon," he said, "but it strikes me as very—er—singular that I never heard of any of those exploits before."

"Possibly you have forgotten them," replied the dapper gentleman, pleasantly. "But that was the trouble about the work; it lacked permanency—there was nothing enduring in it; I wrote, so to speak, upon water. Wherever I went I left behind me a trail of people with sandpaper and scrubbing brushes busily engaged in erasing my finest achievements. There was no hope of coming back in after years with my grandchildren and pointing out the landscapes and public edifices I had defaced. It was very discouraging," added the dapper gentleman, getting up, with a sigh, "and to tell the truth that was the real reason why I retired. Well, I will bid you good night."

"That seems to be quite a remarkable man," said one of the group, as the stranger disappeared in the direction of the elevator car.

"Um-m-m!" grunted the gentleman from Chattanooga, "he is certainly quite a remarkable liar."—N. O. Times-Democrat.

Young Thief Puzzles Police.

BOSTON, Dec. 11.—The case of Morris Aaronburg, the youth who has confessed that he stole $8,837 from Mrs. Margaret Beck, which has puzzled the police from the first, still staggers the officials, although the boy has declared his guilt. It is the first case in police records here where a man or boy has confessed to having stolen money and has stood ready to take all the punishment which could be given for the offense without making restitution and trying to escape the full penalty. The police have figured it out that if Aaronburg goes to prison for the maximum term of five years without returning the stolen money he will come out financially as if he had been at work all the time on a salary of about $1,800 a year. All evidence is taken as indicating that Aaronburg has the money safely concealed and intends to go to prison without revealing its hiding place.

Value of Vanderbilt Estate Fixed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—After a long delay the heirs of the late Cornelius Vanderbilt have agreed to the appraisement of the estate as made by G. D. Hasbrouck, representing the state comptroller. This appraisement is $52,500,000 for the real estate. The figures insisted on by the heirs were $49,826,856,186, but Mr. Hasbrouck stood firm and has at last gained his point. The transfer tax on the Vanderbilt estate will reach $520,000. Already the executors have paid into the state the sum of $370,500.6, which was paid early to get advantage of a reduction of 5 per cent. Comptroller Coler will get a snug sum from the Vanderbilt estate. His fee will amount to $52,000.

Long Sail For Small Craft.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Five little cockleshells of the navy, three of them Tom Thumbs of war vessels, are to travel more than 13,000 miles to the Philippines. The flagship of this mosquito fleet will be the gunboat Annapolis, and her consorts will be the gunboat Vicksburg, the converted yacht Frolic and the tugboats Wompatuck and Piscataqua. They are to be sent in response to the request of Rear Admiral Remey for small vessels to do patrol duty in the Philippines.

Eagan Restored and Retired.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—Brigadier General Charles P. Eagan, commissary general of subsistence, who has been under suspension since Feb. 9, 1899, by sentence of court martial for alleged intemperate and abusive language concerning Lieutenant General Miles in connection with the army beef investigation, has been restored to duty and immediately afterward was placed on the retired list of the army.

FOR LOVERS OF NATURE.

Life in the Primeval Woods Poetically Described in Charles G. D. Roberts' New Book.

If one chooses to enter the forest primeval by proxy, or if he would be tempted to go himself into wilds and thickets let him read Mr. Roberts' "The Heart of the Ancient Wood," just issued by Silver, Burdette & Co., of New York. On the very first page the sweet calm of the forest steals over the reader. There is no desolation, for the wood is "populous in its reserve." Every dell, every nook, every crevice is instinct with life. Even the silence is "not indolently soft, like that which sifts in green shadow through the leafage of a summer garden, but tense,

CHARLES G. D. ROBERTS.
(Author of "The Heart of the Ancient Wood" and Other Stories.)

alertly and mysteriously expectant.' Into the heart of this wood Kirstie Craig, with her little girl, Miranda, goes to find a home and to escape the gossip of busy tongues. A savage place for a home, these Canadian woods, especially for an unprotected woman, but "Kirstie Craig's got grit enough for ten men" and she proves it, too.

The reader follows with close interest the education of the child, who comes on good terms with the shy animals about her. Her pet is a great she-bear, that had once rescued her from a panther. As Thorsan had power over the denizens of the wood, and even over the fish of the stream, so this child finds strange companions and a marvelous control over them.

Love that never halts at bolts or bars finds his way into this ancient forest as the child Miranda grows to womanhood. Her lover is a young hunter and he antagonizes the beasts that are so friendly with Miranda. Naturally a collision follows and this serves as a plot for the story. The girl's love for the man is greater than her love for animals and his love for her is greater than his love for sport. Together they leave the heart of the ancient wood.

One gets very close to nature in this prose poem. Evidently the author has himself lived in the forest, where the silence is audible. Like Henry James, Howells and Stephen Crane, he has an eye for closest detail, an advantage to the reader, who may find in Mr. Roberts far more than he is likely to find in the ancient wood, not because it is not in the wood, but because, unlike Mr. Roberts, he has not the eyes to see it.

Value of Ostrich Feathers.

An ostrich annually furnishes feathers to the value of from $40 to $50. The prices vary from $7 to $200 per pound.

An Amendment.

Mr. Dinsmore—I am writing a letter to Uncle John and telling him that his advice has been of infinite value to me.

Mrs. Dinsmore—You had better say it was of infinitesimal value.

"Why?"

"Well, it's a longer word, and I think it will impress him more."—Harlem Life.

The Soul of Generosity.

The Country Editor—You know that woman I hired to clean the press-room?

The Compositor—The one you didn't pay?

"That's the one. She was in here today, and said if she didn't get her money she'd come around and clean out the whole place. Isn't she generous?"—Yonkers Statesman.

Forcible Facts.—One-sixth of the deaths from disease are due to consumption. Ninety-eight per cent. of all those who have used Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery for "weak lungs," have been perfectly and permanently cured. Cornelius McCawley, of Leechburg, Armstrong Co., had in all eighty-one hemorrhages. He says: "My doctor did all he could for me but could not stop the hemorrhages, and all gave me up to die with consumption." What doctors could not do "Golden Medical Discovery" did. It stopped the hemorrhages and cured their cause This is one case out of a thousand. Investigate the facts.

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CHARTER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of the State of Pennsylvania, on Monday, the 24th day of December, 1900, under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29th, 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called THE WHITE MILLING CO., the character and object of which is the manufacturing and dealing in flour, meal, grain and feed, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy, all the rights, benefits and privileges of the said Act of Assembly and its supplements.

The names of the subscribers to said application are H. V. White, A. B White, I. S. White, Geo. C. LaTourette, M. Powell, T. E. Hyde, A. C. Creasy, J. H. Aikman, W. S. Moyer, J. W. Heller, Ellis Eves, Joseph Batti, F. G. Yorks, Geo. B. Hummer, David Powell, J. C. Brown and W. M. Reber. 11-49.

C. W. MILLER, SOLICITOR.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

ESTATE OF ELIZABETH YOST, LATE OF LOCUST TOWNSHIP, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Elizabeth Yost, widow of Hermon Yost, late of Locust township, Columbia County, Pa., deceased, have been granted to W. D. Osman, of Shamokin, Pa., to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to WM. D. OSMAN,
Or to 311 West Chestnut St.,
JOHN G. FREEZE, Atty., Shamokin,
Bloomsburg, Pa. (29 6t) Pa.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

ESTATE OF DELILAH CRAMER, LATE OF BLOOMSBURG, PA., DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Delilah Cramer, late of the Town of Bloomsburg, Pa., deceased, have been granted to Joseph Cramer, resident of said town, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to
11 15 6t JOS. CRAMER, Executor.
Or to JOHN G. HARMAN, Atty.

EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE.

ESTATE OF PETER S. HARMAN, LATE OF BLOOMSBURG, PA., DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Peter S. Harman, late of Bloomsburg, have been granted to Rebecca Harman, resident of said town, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to
11-15-6t REBECCA HARMAN, Executrix.
Or to JOHN G. HARMAN, Atty.

ELECTION NOTICE.

A meeting of the stockholders of The Farmers National Bank, of Bloomsburg, Pa., for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held in the Directors' room of the Bank, on Tuesday, January 8, 1901, between the hours of two and four p. m.
12-6-2t. A. H. BLOOM, Cashier.

ELECTION NOTICE.

A meeting of the stockholders of the Bloomsburg National Bank, of Bloomsburg, Pa., for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held in the Directors' room of the Bank, on Tuesday, January 8, 1901, between the hours of ten and twelve a. m.
12-6-3t. WM. H. HIDLAY, Cashier.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE
—OF VALUABLE—
REAL ESTATE

Pursuant to an order of the Orphans' Court of Columbia County, the undersigned, administrator of Charles Whitmire, deceased, will expose to public sale, on the premises of said decedent, on the road leading from Orangeville to Berwick, in Centre township, Columbia County, Pennsylvania, on

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 26, 1900,

at 1:30 o'clock p. m., sharp, the following described real estate, to wit: All those two certain pieces, parcels, and tracts of land, situate in said Centre township, Columbia County, Pa., bounded and described as follows, viz:

TRACT NO. 1.—Beginning at a point in line of land of Phoebe Whitmire; thence by other lands of the said George Whitmire, deceased, north twenty-four and three-quarters degrees west, one hundred twenty-seven and four-tenths perches to lands of John Stiner; thence by the same south sixty-nine and three-quarters degrees east, fifty-four perches to a stone; thence by the same north twelve degrees west, three and six-tenths perches to a stone; thence by land of Joseph Conner south sixty-nine and three-quarters degrees east, eighty-three perches to a post; thence south fourteen degrees east, seventeen and six-tenths perches; thence north seventy-four degrees east, thirty-four perches to a stone; thence by lands of William Whitmire south twelve and one-half degrees east, forty-four and two-tenths perches to a stone; thence by lands of the heirs of David Whitmire south seventy-six and one-quarter degrees west, fifty-two and five-tenths perches to a stone; thence by same south seventeen and one-quarter degrees east, sixty-five perches to a stone; thence by same north sixty-five and one-quarter degrees west, eighty and six-tenths perches to a post, the place of beginning, containing

98 ACRES

and ninety perches of land, be the same more or less, it being the same premises which David Whitmire and William Whitmire, executors of the last will and testament of George Whitmire, deceased, conveyed to Charles Whitmire, by deed dated April 29th, 1875, and recorded in the Office for Recording Deeds, etc., in and for the County of Columbia, at Bloomsburg, Pennsylvania, on May 29th, 1899, in Deed Book Vol. No. 67, at page 534, reference being thereunto had, will more fully and at large appear. The above farm is known as the Charles Whitmire homestead, and is located about two miles from the Borough of Orangeville. The land is all cleared, but about two acres, and is in a high state of cultivation. There is erected on the premises a large two-story

FRAME DWELLING HOUSE

and a large bank barn, wagon shed, and other outbuildings. There is a never-failing spring at the house and a good well of water at the barn, and this, as a whole, is a very desirable property.

TRACT NO. 2.—Bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a stone corner, of lands of Levi Aikman and J. E. Aikman; thence by the same north seventy-seven and three-quarters degrees west, thirty-five perches to a stone; thence by the same north twelve degrees west, twenty-two and nine-tenths perches to a stone; thence by lands of Isaac Hess and John White north seventy-seven and three-quarters degrees east, thirty-five perches to a post; thence by lands of John Conner south twelve degrees east, twenty-two and nine-tenths perches to a stone, the place of beginning, containing

5 ACRES,

more or less, and upon which there is a good growth of young timber It being the same premises conveyed to Charles Whitmire by David Whitmire and William Whitmire, executors, as aforesaid.

TERMS OF SALE:—Ten per cent. of the one-fourth of the purchase money to be paid at the striking down of the property; the balance of the one-fourth at the confirmation nisi, which will be on the first Monday of February, 1901, and the remaining three-fourths within one year from the date of sale, with interest on all unpaid purchase money, from the date of confirmation nisi. All grain in the ground reserved. Deeds and surveys, if wanted, at the expense of the purchaser. Possession given April 1st, 1901.

The above premises will be sold, freed and discharged, from the lien of a certain mortgage, given and executed by Charles Whitmire, in his lifetime, to James B. Montgomery.

GEORGE WHITMIRE,
Admr. of Charles Whitmire, dec'd.
CLINTON HERRING, Atty.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Daniel Jamison, late of Centre Township Columbia County, deceased

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Daniel Jamison, late of Centre township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to ISAIAH J. JAMISON,
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11-15 6t Administrator.

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J. H. Ertwine.

SALE REGISTER.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 26.—George Whitmire, administrator of Charles Whitmire, deceased, will sell a farm of 98 acres, 90 perches, with dwelling house, barn, &c., situate in Centre township, at 1:20 p. m. Also, at same time, 5 acres of woodland.

PURELY PERSONAL

James Magee went to New York on Wednesday.

J. A. Hess took a trip to Plymouth on Wednesday.

Mrs. Charles G. Barkley is visiting friends in Williamsport.

Geo. F. Kindt, of Wellversville, spent Saturday in town.

David Mouser, of Grovania was among our Saturday callers.

Dr. J. L. Jolly, of Orangeville, was in town last Wednesday.

Howard Traub, of the A. & T. Biograph Co., is home for a few days.

Miss Mae Evans is assisting in J. E. Roys' store during the holiday trade.

Eugene Cohen went to Philadelphia on Tuesday to witness "Ben Hur."

E. Barton John, of Altoona, is spending a week with his mother and sister.

George Masteller, of Hemlock township, visited the county seat on Thursday.

Miss Bertha Erath, of Wilkes-Barre, has been visiting relatives here the past week.

Miss Nellie Wilson is a new addition to the clerical force in I. W. Hartman & Son's store.

Miss Rose McPherson has succeeded Miss Annie Hassert as clerk in Gomer Thomas' music store.

Mrs. J. E. Roys entertained a party of ladies, at her home, on Fifth street, last Saturday afternoon.

E. P. Bender, of Fishingcreek township was in town on Thursday. He gave our office a pleasant call.

Mr and Mrs. A. Z. Schoch will entertain a progressive euchre party to-night, at their residence, head of Market street.

Misses Martha and Mary Clark arrived home Tuesday evening from an extended visit with relatives at Harrisburg.

Judge I. K Knickbaum, of Benton township, spent several days in town last week attending the Goss trial. We enjoyed a pleasant call from him.

Miss Mary Wright and Miss Lulu Murray, two popular young ladies of Wilkes-Barre, were entertained over Sunday by Miss May Pugh, on Ninth Street.

Stops the Cough and Works off the Cold.

Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price, 25c.

F. P. Davis, of Mt. Pleasant, has been appointed general agent for Columbia County, by the Lackawanna Fertilizer & Chemical Co., of Moosic. He handles a good article, and all orders will receive prompt attention. His postoffice address is Bloomsburg. 2t

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Danville has adopted the chain gang rule for tramps.

The proceeds of the Y. M. C. A. Bazaar were about $425.00

The Bloomsburg public schools will close December 21st for the annual Holiday vacation.

Contemplating a trip? See the Lackawanna Railroad agent about it.

A most handsome line of calenders suitable for presents at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

Gerald Gross was the winner of a pool tournament, conducted by the Wheelmen Monday evening. There were eight contestants.

A B C blocks and A B C books in both linen and paper from 5c. to 25c. at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

The great gateways of the west, Chicago and St. Louis, are reached with but one change of cars, by the Lackawanna Railroad.

Rheumatism, in all its forms, is promptly and permanently cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, which neutralizes acidity of the blood.

There is a rush of advertising this week. A glance at our announcement column will help you in determining what to give your friends.

If you are intending to buy a Christmas present either great or small we want to see you at J. H. Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

The Bloomsburg Fire Board held a meeting in the Town Hall Tuesday evening. Views were exchanged on the needs of the department, but there was no business transacted.

C. E. Welliver will move his family to Danville this week. Mr. Welliver is in business in that town and to keep his family here makes it too inconvenient. Their many friends regret their departure.

Miss Sadie Burlingame and Mr. Clyde Robbins were the principals in a wedding, which took place at the Baptist parsonage Thursday afternoon last. The bride is from Almedia, and the groom, from Picture Rocks.

The election of a chief of the Bloomsburg Fire Department will take place next Monday evening, at the Town Hall. There are three candidates for the place—Sam Harman, W. H. Coffman and Moyer Lewis.

We have just received a new Sample Book containing the latest designs in show cards, society address cards, folders, invitations, menus, etc., and persons in need of anything in this line are invited to inspect our lines before placing orders. tf

The total collections on Thanksgiving day, for the benefit of the poor, were sixty dollars. At the Episcopal Church the offering was twenty dollars, which was divided equally between St. Luke's Hospital, South Bethlehem, and the fund for disabled clergy, in accordance with regular custom.

Collar and cuff boxes, necktie boxes, handkerchief boxes, necktie books, jewel boxes, glove boxes, cigar stands and cases, music rolls, photo holders, card stands and card cases and many other holiday presents, some of which are very beautiful at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

W. W Watts, who has been posting bills for theatrical attractions, and lithograph advertising matter for local merchants for two years past, has quit the business. Last summer he erected bill boards in many places. On Friday he tore them all down. Frank Dawson has taken Mr. Watts' place.

A short recital will be given at St. Paul's Church next Sunday evening, after service. Mr. Frank Miller will play "The Last Sleep of the Holy Virgin," and "Cradle Song" on the flute, with organ accompaniment, and Mr. DeForest Hummer will play "Andante con moto," and "Processional March," on the organ.

Pocket books for either lady or gent at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

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for cheer and jollification now having arrived, everybody both old and young will celebrate. Everybody making ready. We celebrate the occasion by offering the most complete Holiday line ever before seen in Bloomsburg. Half an eye can see it. Any honest man or woman will admit it to be so. That's why we believe that we are entitled to your trade.

Best

to be had, and the time to secure it—right here—just now. Those who wait till a thousand customers or more have secured the best, must take second best; nevertheless, second best from our Holiday assortment will be equal to the very best to be had some places. Goods selected and paid for will be laid away till the day before Christmas, if customers so desire.

YOUNG AND OLD--READ.

UPRIGHT TOILET CASES.

$1.39 Each. Floral design and shaded covering, drop from displaying 6-piece fancy white fittings on high spring holders, puffed lining, gilt clasp. Extended size 9½x8x6½.

$2.39 Each. Dresden effect gold line covering, 10-inch top and front handsomely decorated celluloid, 7-inch delft effect, medallion panel, drop front with raise top, 6-piece full size combination set with floral decorated backs, puffed satin lining with silk cord edging, high spring holders, large gilt clasp. Extended size 11½x9½x9½. This toilet case.....

LITTLE AND BIG BOYS--READ.

Fire Department Iron Toys.

10c Hook and ladder, 1 horse and driver, painted in bright colors. Length 7⅛ inches, height 3½.

25c. Hook and ladder truck, painted red and yellow, 2 black horses, driver with reins, 1 fancy painted iron ladder. Entire length about 12¾ in., height 4.

50c. Fire engine, 2 running horses with driver. Entire length 14 inches, height about 5.....

50c Hook and ladder, 2 running horses, driver, iron ladder. 2 painted wooden ladders with iron rounds, fancy painted in red and yellow. Entire length about 18 inch, height 6½.....

95c Hook and ladder, 2 horses, driver and steersman, nickel plated truck, painted running gear, 4 ladders. Entire length about 21-inch, height, 6½.....

IRON TRAINS.

15c. Engine, tender and one car. Movable wheels, full length 11 inches.....

10c. Sulky, painted in bright fancy colors, driver with reins. Entire length about 6½ inches, height 3¼.....

LITTLE AND BIG GIRLS—READ.

TRUNKS.

25c. Imitation leather, colored and varnished, paper covered, 10-in. Assorted, flat and oval tops, set-up tray, leather handles, metal hinges and Yale pattern steel lock with flat key.....

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15c 11 inch. stuffed arms and legs, good size head, open mouth exposing teeth, imitation stockings and real shoes, good bisque head, natural eyes, good head of hair.....

Men's Xmas Gifts

LAUNDRY SETS.

22c. 5-piece set, top table, painted red. "Eureka" painted on both sides, size 11x6¼, 5¼ inch tub, 4¼ inch washboard, 4 inch wringer, 7 inch clothes horse.....

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Automatic Blotters,
Darning Eggs,
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Ralph R. John Esq., is slowly recovering from a serious attack of typhoid fever.

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At a meeting of the Prohibition County Committee held here Thursday last, C. R. Cox was elected chairman, W. J. Bidleman, secretary and G. W. Correll, treasurer for the ensuing year.

Ex-County Commissioner John N. Gordon is lying dangerously ill at his home in Hemlock township. His sickness is said to be hasty consumption, and that recovery is very doubtful.

The Normal School and Bloomsburg Wheelmen basket ball teams, have arranged a series of games for the winter. The rivalry between the two teams will doubtless attract good crowds.

The Paul E. Wirt fountain pen either plain or gold mounted at Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

The new bronze eagle lecturn, for St. Paul's Church, was placed in position yesterday. It was presented by the children as a memorial to their mother, Mary Chamberlin Drinker. It is a beautiful and artistic piece of work, and a fitting memorial in remembrance of a most estimable Christian woman.

The Nescopeck station of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company was entered and robbed by a gang of burglars Thursday night of last week. The safe was reduced to pieces, by means of a heavy charge of dynamite, and its contents carried away. The booty obtained consisted of about twelve dollars in cash and a few small express packages. After reaching a point, something like a half mile from the scene of the robbery, the outlaws evidently concluded that they had no use for the packages, as they were found along the road. Strange as it may seem, no one was awakened by the concussion. No clue has yet been discovered.

The largest and most beautiful line of holiday goods that we have seen is on exhibition at J. H. Mercer's Drug & Book Store.

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Consumption caused the death of Mrs. Cora Hess Jones, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Hess, on Third street yesterday morning. She had been a long sufferer, the disease having taken hold upon her several years ago. She was thirty-four years of age and is survived by a husband. The funeral will be held tomorrow at ten o'clock and the remains taken to Danville for interment.

On Wednesday J. E. Keifer sold his Center street meat market to F. M. Leader, who will open it on Saturday morning with a full supply of all the market affords in the meat line. Mr. Leader is a well known business man, and merits a liberal patronage.

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